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Mr Callaghan offers new Government-union cooperation on pay policy

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TUC challenged to meet responsibilities

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r James Callaghan yester- surprised and delighted an ehensive Labour Party erence by offering a velvet- d hand of renewed union- rnment cooperation over policy. Instead of fighting party head on, the Prime ster came close to urging it ry, try and try again ". was given an unexpected ling ovation, the big unions ng the way.

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ove all, in acknowledging ly that his incomes policy so far failed to get the escence it needed to make k, Mr Callaghan appeared ve charmed union leaders his offer to meet them see where we move from .

specifically appealed to nions for help in improv- h his earlier offer for the lowest paid—in a way that would avert explosive wage inflation. It is understood that a meeting of ministers and union leaders will take place as soon as it can be arranged.

Mr Callaghan's jovial, chatty sharing of confidences over pay difficulties, delivered as an improvization for 15 minutes in the middle of a speech which ran for nearly an hour, was widely regarded as a masterly conference-saving performance.

He caught delegates shame-faced, many with bad consciences after the approval of Monday's resolution condemning all pay restraint. But instead of upbraiding them, as he must have been tempted to do, he flattered them, cajoled them, confessed in passing to his own "sins", and finally challenged the unions to live up to their boasted responsibility.

The conference later completed the Prime Minister's day by declining to alter the method of electing the party leader and rejecting proposals for the "automatic reselection" of MPs.

Mr Callaghan also pleased the delegates by seeming to unveil to them the contents of the Queen's Speech for the next session of Parliament. He left some of them wondering whether he intends to defer the election until next autumn. His only explicit reference was that elections were "best held when a government has completed a phase of its work", but be scheduled enough work to last the year.

His "Queen's Speech" list included one surprise, a promise to "undo the damage" of the Tory health service reorganization.

Among the five proposed examples of people's "increased participation" were legislation to give employees more information about their firms' affairs; to give parents and teachers more influence in running schools; and to give council house tenants a greater say over their homes.

Mr Callaghan also announced for the first time that the Wales and Scotland devolution referendums would be held as soon as feasible next spring after the new electoral registers come into force in mid-February.

The Prime Minister's amiable approach to his party rebellion left some of his ministers speculating that the official 5 per cent guideline for wages was being quietly dropped. But he insists that that is not so; he told me that the Government wants to get earnings as close to that figure as possible.

But he said his point yesterday was to make clear that there had to be consent for policy, otherwise it could not work.

What is new is the offer for a new deal over low pay. That is intended to avert disastrous strikes threatened in hospitals and in public services by the National Union of Public Employees. Also new is Mr Callaghan's pledge to "try to interpret as easily as possible" the 5 per cent policy and its guidelines as laid down in the July White Paper.

That was taken by one minister to be an invitation to the Ford workers to investigate what increases they could obtain from their employers in productivity bargaining and in easing differential difficulties. Mr Callaghan's unofficial prediction was that the Ford strike might be settled within two weeks.

A Staff Reporter writes: Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, said in a statement last night that while the 5 per cent limit and the threatened sanctions could only lead to unfairness, strikes and an even greater flattening of differentials, fiscal and monetary policies would lead to even greater unemployment and further industrial stagnation.

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llaghan in expansive mood at the Labour Party conference at Blackpool yesterday.

Mr Mikardo ousted from executive

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left-wing newcomers on xecutive are Mr Neil k (Bedwellty), Mr Skinner (Bolsover), Mr Huckfield (Nuneaton) r Douglas Hoyle (Nelson olne).

ough Mr Mikardo had ed his political enemies during 27 years on the national executive, he had earned their respect for his intelligence, resourcefulness and his brilliance as a "fixer" in intra-party disputes.

The vote was so close that there had to be three recounts before everyone was satisfied that he had been knocked off the executive.

Mr Skinner, the uncompromising miner from Bolsover, said afterwards that his main campaign in the executive would be against British membership of the EEC.

The results of the elections at the party conference mean that the moderates have lost Mr Jack Ashley, MP for Stoke-on-Trent, South, and Mr John Cartwright, a leading member of the Manifesto Group. Mr Cartwright was replaced by Mr Huckfield in the socialist, co-operative section on the executive.

A big battle in the party over the parliamentary rights and independence of MPs was virtually settled at the conference when the more moderate line triumphed over that of the militants.

After a three-year campaign, left-wing constituency parties were demanding that all MPs should automatically go through a reselection procedure. That move was defeated in favour of a compromise which leaves the matter to individual constituency parties.

But there was a storm brewing last night over the fact that Mr Hugh Scanlon, outgoing president of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, had withheld casting the vote of the engineering section even though his union's delegation favoured automatic reselection.

If Mr Scanlon had cast the union's vote as mandated the militant faction might have won the day. As things stand, the decision in favour of a compromise will have to be voted on again next year so that the party constitution can be changed.

The essence of the national executive working party compromise is that between general elections a constituency party can test whether its MP should again stand as a candidate. Anyone failing that vote will have to go before a reselection conference.

The militant line is that all sitting MPs should automatically have to go through a reselection procedure whether or not the MP is popular with the constituency party.

Mr Scanlon said later that there had been a misunderstanding about which composite motion was being contested.

Party activists also lost another battle when the conference decided after a desultory debate to maintain the status quo in the election of the party leader.



Mr Simeonov: quiet and almost unknown.

Police guard for BBC Bulgarians

By Trevor Fishlock

Detectives and forensic scientists worked painstakingly yesterday to discover how Mr Vladimir Simeonov, a Bulgarian broadcaster, met his death. Mr Simeonov, aged 30, was found, clad in pyjamas, at the foot of the staircase of his home in east London. His nose broken, he had apparently died through inhalation of blood.

For the police his death posed a classic question: Did he fall or was he pushed?

Mr Simeonov, a student of philosophy and psychology, a quiet and bookish man, defected seven years ago when he was on holiday in Britain, and recently became a British citizen.

He joined the Bulgarian section of the BBC external services in 1972, having first worked in the BBC canteen, and became a newsreader, announcer and translator. He was copresenter of a programme for young people and was part of a team of 11 men and women, a team reduced to 10 by the death of Mr Georgi Markov last month.

The nine people who remain in the BBC Bulgarian unit are understandably anxious and are being guarded by the police.

Mr Markov, aged 49, a playwright and broadcaster who defected nine years ago, was killed by a poisoned pellet, smaller than a pinhead, apparently injected into his thigh by an umbrella-gun.

A few weeks earlier, in Paris, another Bulgarian broadcaster, Mr Vladimir Kostov, who defected in June, was injected with a similar tiny pellet, but recovered from the fever he subsequently suffered.

The police are making a close study of Mr Simeonov's body and of the flat in Western Road, Plaistow, where he had lived for about four years.

Mr Simeonov made his last broadcast on Sunday, reading the morning news. He was due

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Prisoners' rights

A Court of Appeal decision yesterday allowing former prisoners the right to challenge in the High Court disciplinary sentences imposed by a board of visitors was greeted by penal reformers as important for prisoners' rights.

The court's judgment was given in the cases of five former inmates of Hull prison who had sought a High Court order to quash disciplinary sentences arising out of the riots at the jail in September, 1976.

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Mr Sadat dismisses Egyptian Army commander in chief

From Robert Fisk
Cairo, Oct 3

General Muhammad al-Gamassi, commander-in-chief of the Egyptian Army and an apparent pillar of presidential loyalty, was removed from his job by President Sadat today.

The tall, slim general who trained as a tank officer in Nasser's days, came to military prominence when he was appointed chief of staff at the height of the 1973 Middle East War. Now he is to be a "military adviser" to the President and the head of Army intelligence is expected to replace him.

No reason was given for the President's sudden decision. The Army is generally regarded as loyal to Mr Sadat and General Gamassi publicly announced the Army's complete support for the President when Mr Sadat travelled to Jerusalem at the start of his peace initiative last November.

The general, according to the Cairo press, was to have made a speech in similar vein—this time about the results of the Camp David agreement—at the military parade to be held in Ismailia on Friday to mark the fifth anniversary of the Egyptian crossing of the Suez Canal.

General Gamassi was also Minister of War and Deputy Prime Minister. There was no government statement that he had been relieved of these posts as well, but a terse announcement by the official Middle East News Agency—which reported that he had met Mr Sadat today—did not refer to him by his government titles.

A few days ago, it was rumoured in Cairo that General Gamassi was not as enthusiastic in his support for President Sadat's peace initiative as had been popularly supposed. He was, for instance, noticeably absent from the Egyptian delegation at Camp David although his opposite number, Mr Ezer Weizmann, the Israeli Defence Minister, was present.

On the other hand, he played a prominent part in earlier military negotiations with the Israelis and his presence may not have been necessary in the later discussions.

The Army chief of staff, General Muhammad Ali Fahmi, was also removed today to become, like General Gamassi, a military adviser to the President. Major-General Ahmed Badawi, chief of the training section of the armed forces—a front-line brigade commander in the Third Army during the 1973 war—is to take his place.

The relationship between the Army and the President in Egypt has always been taken for granted because Mr Sadat's regime, through Nasser's government, sprang from a military coup. But when popular dissent manifested itself on the streets of Cairo during the food riots of January 1977 it became clear that Mr Sadat's rule could depend solely upon the Army's loyalty. Since that date, therefore the slightest hint of dissatisfaction among Army officers has been carefully studied by diplomats.

Ironically, General Gamassi's appointment as chief of staff in 1973 was as sudden as his removal today. In his autobiography, President Sadat recalls how on October 19 that year, General Said al-Shazli, the chief of staff, came to him at a critical moment in the battle.

He was, Mr Sadat recalls, "a nervous wreck", and that same night General Gamassi was appointed in General Shazli's place.

Bahrain: Jordan, Saudi Arabia and five other Arab states have supported a call by Iraq for an urgent Arab summit to discuss the Camp David agreement. Arab diplomats said its prime objective would be to dissuade Egypt from signing a separate peace treaty with Israel.

Iraq has proposed a $9,000m (£4,500m) fund to woo Egypt away from the Camp David accords.

Official sources in Baghdad said the call had been supported so far by Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman. But Syria had not yet reacted.—Reuter.

Nine held after £6m find of heroin

By a Staff Reporter

Eight men and a woman were arrested in London yesterday after customs and excise officers had discovered 32 kilos of Chinese heroin hidden in two cars being imported through London docks.

It is the biggest single consignment of heroin ever found in Britain, with an estimated value of £6m in street sales. It is believed to be the most valuable haul of any type of illegal drug ever made in Britain.

The heroin was found in the car tyres on September 21, but the discovery was kept quiet while customs officers sought to trace the people who were to receive the consignment.

Yesterday officers and members of the Metropolitan Police drugs squad raided buildings in the London area.

The first part of the consignment was found in the tyres of a car being imported as freight from Malaysia. Widespread surveillance, coupled with under cover work, led to the discovery of more heroin in a similar car from the same place landed earlier in the day from another ship.

Credit for the find is given to the customs' mobile task force. This group of specially trained uniformed officers was established on April 1 as part of a reorganization by the Board of Customs and Excise.

The drug seized was known as Chinese no 3 heroin, which is of good quality. The amount discovered would have been sufficient to supply all the registered addicts in Britain for a year.

It more than doubles the amount of heroin found by customs officers so far this year, making the total value more than £11m. Their haul in the first nine months is more than double the amount seized by all agencies last year, about 25 kilos valued at £5,370,000.

Ill Princess cancels visit

Sydney, Oct 3.—Princess Margaret, who cut short a south Pacific tour last weekend when she became ill, today cancelled a planned visit to the Philippines on medical advice. Her private secretary, Lord Napier and Ettrick said her respiratory illness had not yet completely cleared.

The Princess, who is 48, has been resting at Government House in Sydney since she was flown to Australia yesterday from Tuvalu, a group of coral islands in the south Pacific. She was forced to miss Tuvalu's independence celebrations.

Earlier today Lord Napier had said Princess Margaret was much better and would leave for Manila tomorrow. A Government House spokesman said today it was not known if additional treatment would be necessary.

The Princess looked tired when she arrived at Sydney Airport yesterday after a nine-hour flight. She spent part of the flight on a stretcher bed.—Reuter.

Yankees win brings New York to a halt

From Michael Leapman
New York, Oct 3

At around 5.30 pm yesterday, a mighty roar went up from the dozen or so printers picketing the *Daily News* building on East 42nd Street. It was so loud that I could hear it easily from the twenty-ninth floor of the building opposite.

A stranger might have thought it signalled the end of the strike which has closed the paper for seven and a half weeks, but it was nothing as trivial as that.

Like most people in the city, they had transistor radios tuned to the baseball game in Boston, where the New York Yankees were playing their old rivals, the Boston Red Sox, in the deciding game for the Eastern Division title in the American League. The roar came when a swirling high shot from a Boston hitter's bat came to rest safely in the hands of a Yankee fielder to win the game and the division for New York, as a climax to one of the most remarkable seasons even in their colourful history.

For three hours yesterday afternoon the city, already slowed by the Jewish New Year holiday, came to a halt. As dramatic highlights in the game, taxi drivers pulled into the kerb so that they could cheer without hitting anything. Even in the high-class shops along Fifth Avenue, shoppers crowded round counters where thoughtful assistants had brought in their radios.

For weeks, it has been the only sporting contest that has had any meaning in New York. In New Orleans last month, a few minutes after Muhammad Ali had made history by winning the heavyweight title for the third time, New York sports writers made anxious inquiries about that night's baseball score before being able to compose themselves sufficiently to write their boxing reports.

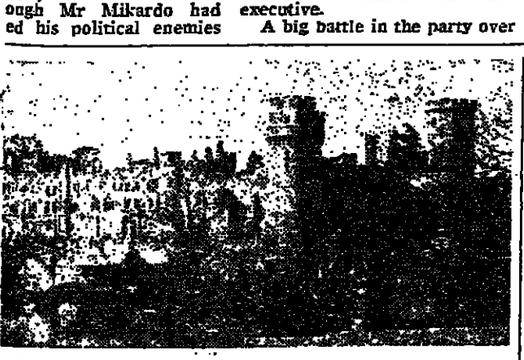
Yet had you told any of us, just a month or two earlier, that in September we would be palpitating nightly over the Yankees' performance, we would scarcely have believed it. For that high-priced and high-tension baseball team were, in July, a full 14 games—the equivalent of 28 points in a soccer league—behind the Red Sox in the Eastern Division of the American League, and none but the most ardent supporter gave them any chance of catching up.

They had been giving their usual petulant early season performance. The highly-paid superstars sniped at each other incessantly, and their squabbles were reported by the baseball writers in even more detail than the games.

As always, the leading combatants were Reggie Jackson, a gifted hitter and the highest paid Yankee of them all, and Billy Martin, the chirpy little manager. Mr Martin made the tactical error of being rude in public not only about Mr Jackson but also about Mr George Steinbrenner, who happens to own the team.

Mr Steinbrenner dismissed Mr Martin (though he later said he could return in 1980) and appointed as manager a grey-haired cuddly man called Bob Lemon, who is shaped like his name. He was dismissed by his former club for lacking

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company said the castle attracts more than 500,000 s a year, would be main- l as an historic home. It ot expect to make any l changes.

the past few years Lord Brooke has sold paintings and other art works from the castle which, according to one estimate, may have brought as much as £5m. His actions have caused complaints from many sources, including relatives, other historic home owners and local residents.

Mr Michael Herbert, managing director of Madame Tussaud's, said last night that the company had purchased all the contents at present on view in the castle, which came into the hands of the present Greville family in Elizabethan times. A hundred acres of parkland surrounding the castle has also been sold to Madame Tussaud's.

The company was recently taken over by S. Pearson, the publishing and industrial group, which also owns the *Financial Times*.

Oil depot hit by shellfire during battle in Beirut

Syrian troops and Christian militia forces fought a fierce battle in east Beirut and towns and villages in the surrounding hills. A big oil depot which supplies the city was hit by shellfire and exploded, sending dense smoke 1,000ft high which blacked out the battle scene. Hospitals were hit according to residents, and could not cope with the mounting casualties. Beirut was without electric power and the main water installation was severely damaged Page 8

Jobs for blacks aim

Lewisham may become the second London borough to introduce a policy of positive action towards black applicants and employees if the proposals of a working party are accepted. The council is worried about difficulties faced by black school-leavers in finding jobs Page 5

Secrets trial reopens

The Crown offered no evidence against Duncan Campbell, a journalist, on a charge of collecting information about defence communications when the new Official Secrets Act trial opened at the Central Criminal Court before Mr Justice Mars-Jones. The first trial of the three defendants was abandoned 10 days ago Page 2

Approach to Stein

Leeds United gave permission last night for their manager, Jock Stein, to be interviewed for the post of Scotland's team manager. The club's board of directors met for half an hour before the decision was announced. Mr Stein has been with Leeds for 44 days and travels to Scotland today Page 14

Education troubles

The opposition has called for an inquiry into Welsh standards of education after poor examination showings. In Northern Ireland, an independent report calls for new schemes of education and training to cope with the special difficulties of the province Pages 5 and 6

Curate is jailed

The behaviour of a curate who supplied cannabis to boys was criminal, not misguided, Judge Ward said at Southend Crown Court, Essex. He sentenced the Rev Richard Mayes, of Chelsea, to nine months' imprisonment on eight charges Page 6

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Dewar's the first to bottle the spirit of Scotland

HOME NEWS

One charge against journalist is dropped by Crown as the new secrets Act trial opens

By Craig Seton

The Crown offered no evidnce against Duncan Campbel, a journalist, on a charge of collecting information about defence communications when the new Official Serets Act trial opened at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

The first trial of the three defendants in the case was abandoned three weeks ago after lasting 10 days because of disclosures on television about three members of the jury. Before the jury was sworn in yesterday each potential juror was asked to declare any service in government or the Armed Services in the last 15 years which involved handling material classified as secret. One person who said he had handled such material was asked by Mr Justice Mars-Jones to stand down.

Mr Campbell, aged 26, a writer with the *New Statesman*, was originally charged with collecting sketches, notes, documents and information about defence communications for a purpose prejudicial to the safety or interests of the state.

Mr John Leonard, QC, for the Crown, said no evidence would be offered on that charge after advice he had received from the Director of Public Prosecutions, with the approval of the Attorney General. The judge formally entered a verdict of not guilty. The charge, under section 1 of the *Official Secrets Act, 1911*, carried a maximum penalty of 14 years' imprisonment on conviction.

Mr Campbell is charged with Crispin Aubrey, aged 32, of the magazine *Time Out* and, John Berry, aged 34, a formetr member of the Intelligence Corps. They face a total of eight charges under section 1 and 2 of the Act concerning the obtaining, communicating and receiving of information. They have pleaded not guilty to all counts.

Mr Leonard, offering no evidence on the charge against Mr Campbell, said that since the first trial of the three defendants, certain matters had come to light. He had originally told the jury that much of the information in Mr Campbell's collection was from published sources. Nevertheless, it had been the Crown's contention that Mr Campbell had committed an offence because he had added his observations as a skilled scientist to build a picture that might have been of value to an enemy.

He said Lord Hutchinson, QC, for the defence of Mr Campbell, had placed much published information before the court which matched some of Mr Campbell's collection, *including some from official or* semiofficial publications "certainly unknown to me".

He added: "Information from such sources is obviously of greater value to a potential enemy than any journalistic writings, however distinguished they might be".

Lord Hutchinson successfully applied for the return of documents he said had been seized by the police from Mr Campbell which related to the abandoned charge.

When the jury of three women and nine men had been sworn in, the judge warned the mnot to speak about the trial and to disregard anybody outside the court building who treid to hand them pamphlets. He also told them that during the trial they might have to hear some of the evidence in camera. The trial, the court was told, could last about six weeks.

Mr Leonard, opening the Crown's case, alleged that in February last year Mr Berry, who had ben in the Intelligence Corps between 1965 and 1970, had communicated to the two journalists information about signals intelligence (Sigint).

It was information, he said, acquired by Mr Berry during his military service. By communicating such information Mr Berry clearly had committed an offence under the Official Secrets Act.

He told the jury that they might have heard criticisms of section 2 of the Act and that proposals had been made for its reform, but no reform had been proposed which would alter the position of Mr Berry. Under the present law and the proopsed law he would be guilty, he said.

Paying a "tribute to the profession", which Mr Aubrey and Mr Campbell represented, he said had it not been for the press and journalists the liberties of Britain would be in danger, but there was no special law for journalists. They were subject to the They were subject to the ordinary law of the land.

Under the proposed reform of the Act, the mere receipt of information would not be an offence, but this was no mere receipt. "Mr Campbell and r Aubrey were seeking to get information from Mr Berry which they knew he was entitled to give,"

Mr Leonard said the first four charges, those under section 1, were the more serious and the Crown had to prove a purpose prejudicial to the safety or interests of the state. There was no allegation of spying and there was no spy.

The trial continues today.

Boy helps to reconstruct friend's last moments

A boy aged 13, his hair close-cropped for the occasion, yesterday helped to reconstruct the last known moments of a murdered school friend.

Martin Flavell, watched by senior police officers and journalists, rode down a dirt track leading to Yew Tree Farm, where almost two weeks ago his friend, Carl Bridgewater, was murdered.

Propping Carl Bridgewater's cow-horn handlebar bicycle against a fence, Martin Flavell pulled out a copy of the local evening paper from the satchel slung over his shoulder.

Then, just as Carl must have done, he walked up to the back door of the farm near Wordsley, West Midlands

In the drive near by stood a pale blue estate car, its tail-gate open, similar to the vehicle seen near the farm on the day Calr Bridgewater died. Police believe he stumbled on a gang of thieves dealing in antiques, and that they hit him in the head with a shotgun at point blank range.

Today's reconstruction was conducted by Det Chief Supt Robert Stewart, head of Staffordshire CID, who is leading the hunt, in the hope of jogging someone's memory.

Martin Flavell, who lives near the murdered boy's home in Bells Lane, Wordsley, was asked to take part in the reconstructWion because of his resemblance to Carl Bridgewater.

Taxis halt city centre

About 150 taxi drivers brought the centre of Liverpool virtually to a standstill for an hour yesterday afternoon in their campaign for access to buss lanes and a restriction on issuing licences.

Gang locks up police then escapes with £250,000 from post office

From Christopher Walker
Belfast

Senior members of the British security forces are concerned about funds for weapons and epplosives being acquired by the Provisional IRA in raids throughout the Irish Republic.

Early yesterday 10 masked terrorists armed with pistols and sub-machineguns carried out two raids in the coastal town of Donegal, 10 miles from the border with Ulster, and escaped with nearly £250,000 and several police uniforms.

They tied up two police officers with adhesive tape, locked them in the cells of their police station, threatened to "knee cap" them if they resisted and stole intelligence files about IRA activity in the area.

Soon after the raid the gang had been nicknamed "The wild bunch" by local people in a district noted for its republican sympathies.

The authorities said lat night that £125,000 had been stolen in cash intended for welfare payments and the rest in registered mail. Deep concern about the raid in Irish political circles was reflected by Mr Paddy Harte, opposition spokesman on security, who called for army units to be posted at all police stations where confidential files were kept.

The raids took place almost simultaneously about half a mile apart. Four armed men burst into the Donefal Donegal police station, tied up a sergeant and constable and removed their uniforms. They were locked in the cells while the masked men destroyed the station's communications system and seized files.

Shortly afterwards the rest of the gang ambushed a van entering the Post Office yard. A police escort was held at gun point while the money was seized and the raideRs used the police car to escape.

Throughout the day the Irish security forces mounted one of the biggest searches seen in the country. Army and police road blocks were erected throughout the rugged country-side of co Donegal and two Air Corps helicopters were brought in. By nightfall there had been no sighting of the gang.

The raids illustrate the tactics used by the Provisional IRA to compensate for the recent steep decline in funds fro m American sympathizers. The republican-inspired crimt wave has led to repeated calls from the Irish police for the right to carry arms at all times. Losses have excerded £1m during the first nint months of this year.

According to security sources in Northern Ireland, the movement of IRA armed robbers across the border in the past two years reflects the relative ease with which they can still escape with large sums in the South, where the army plays a very low-key role supporting the police.

Security sources in Ulster re unable to say how much from the robberies is making its way into the central coffers of the Provisional IRA, but the figure is believed t be substantial. Much of its is being used to buy arms and explosives from America.

In Belfast yesterday the Provisionals launched their first breakfast-time bombing raid on the city centre for many months. They caued the worst traffic disruption seen this year, and badly damaged the offices of two shipping agents, a garage and a seamen's mission.

Murder admitted: John White, aged 27, a carpenter, of Forthriver Drive, Belfast, admitted at Belfast City Commission yesterday that he murdered Mr Paddy Wilson, a Social Democratic and Labour Party senator, and Miss Irene Andrews, aged 29, a ballroom dancer, more than five years ago. He will e sentenced later (the Press Association reports).

Plan to build 3 mosques

An Islamic sect that believes the real tomb of Christ is in Kashmir plans to build thre mosquesin Britain and anoteeB three elsewehre in Europe.

The plans were announced at a conference in London yesterday by Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, leader of the 10-million-strong Ahmadiyya movement.

The British mosques, which will ae minarets, mission house, library and meeting hall, willb £ in Birmingham, Wolverhampton and Glasgow. Missionary centres in the rest of Britain willb e doubled from five to 10 in the next five years.

The Ahmadsi revere Christ as a great messenger of God. It is a tenet of the sect that Christ was alive when taken down from the cross, recovered from his wounds and left Palestine to journey to India.

Man killed his lover a day before wedding

Gerald Woods, a steelworker, of King George Crescent, Warrington, Cheshire, cancelled his wedding arrangements and killed the woman he loved rather than admit that he had a wife and nine children, it was stated at Chester Crown Court yesterday. He was said to have strangled his lover the day before sho thought they were to marry.

Mr Woods, aged 46, was given a 30-month jail sentence after admitting the manslaughter of Mrs Gertrude Gleabe, aged 38, who was divorced. His plea of not guilty to her murder on the grounds of diminished responsibility was accepted. He was given a 30-month concurrent sentence on a wounding charge.

Mr Patrick Russell, QC, for the defence, said the case had many bizarre features and was full of conflicting emotions. There was a suggestion that Mr Woods was the survivor of a suicide pact but it was not being put forward as a defence to murder because of his plea of diminished responsibility.

Laundries a hospitals affected by go-slow

By John Roper
Health Services Correspondent

Some hospitals are using posable paper sheets an others relatives of patients supplying and washing linen as the effects sprea industrial action by engin and maintenance supervisо the National Health Servi

Hospitals for the mental and mentally handicapped wards for aged patients been particularly affected cause of their higher propo of incontinent patients. A 1,000-bed Cane Hill psych hospital, at Coulsdon, Su the area infection control cer decided he had to bu pile of soiled sheets, other and clothing worth £38,000.

The six commercial wa machines and the six dri Cane Hill clean usually 35,000 items in a 40-hour But because of the indu action they have been wo only four hours a week.

Hospital authorities appe to commercial laundries tc have met refusals to a fouled linen, although are taking ordinarily dirty and clothing.

A few small hospitals some wards have had closed because of laundry culties and because of the ning down of machinery sterilizing dressings and ment.

In most of the 14 ho regions the dispute has varying effects on admi for non-urgent surgery. W lists for operations are gr in many areas as hospitals to ban all but urgen emergency cases.

Most regional officials ted yesterday that the sit would get worse this week authorities feel themselv be in the middle in the di which involves about 3,50 ployees, and there is gr pressure on the Departm Health and Social Secur get the management and sides of the Whitley C talking again.

Some medical consu have said that patients ar at risk. Another effect o dispute has been that the ing of new buildings su the Queen's medical cen Nottingham has been del

The extra cost of empl commercial laundries and plying disposable bedding estimated by an Essex authority yesterday at £18 week.

Mr John Webb, a distri ministrator, commenting threat by seven members National and Local Gover Officers' Association (Nal tighten the go-slow in the in support of the dispute that that would be caref for the service.

Two of three ho hos and five smaller hos would have to close. Five dred admissions a week i hospitals would be stopp

Mr Gerald Banwell, a c tant obstetrician, said tha could mean that babies have to be delivered at with increased risk to mothers and babies.

Overreaction alleged: Mi mond Harris, the Naigo senrative on the union ne ing side, said yesterday health authorities were reacting by the measure were taking (our Labou writes).

Arrangements had beer to cope with emerg even where laundry s were disrupted. It was that the dispute had thrown into the political he said.

Police suspect intruder of stabbing body in mortuary

The door of a mortuary where a widow's body was found with stab wounds after she had died of natural causes was unlocked, the police said ytsterday. It was usually locked.

Mrs Margartt Leouard, aged 73, was found in Royal Lancaster Infirmary mortuary with seven stab wounds which had been inflicted after she died from a heart attack during a coach journey.

A knife was found near the body but it was not known whethtr it was the instrument used. Dtrectives said it seemed that an intruder had been in the morruary.

They sadi the coroner was satisfied that Mrs Leonard, of Clepington Rood, Dundet, had died from a heart attack while on the coach.

Police questiontd everyone connected with the hospital and the mortuary. They ae not ruled out a possibility that tht stabbing is linked with an incident last year when some surgical knives were taken from tht building.

MP attacks 'sex bias' in the Services

By a Staff Reporter

Service regulations that allow husbands unilaterally to declare themselves estranged from their wives, who thus become illegal occupants of their married quarters, was discrimination against women of the worst kind, Miss Janet Fookes, Conservative MP for Plymouth, Drake, said yesterday.

She intends to raise the matter in the Commons as soon as possible and is reporting it to the Equal Opportunities Commission because she feels that the arrangements discriminate against women. Miss Fookes said that she had come across several cases in her constituency work.

She has raised the matter with the Ministry of Defence, and Mr Robert Brown, Under-Secretary for Defence for the Army, said that the ministry must establish its right to repossess a married quarters once a husband's marital status changed and he had moved out.

He wrote: "In practice a considerable period of time is usually allowed to elapse once this has been done, during which the family is given every assistance by local service and civilian staffs in searching for alternative accommodation."

Mr Brown said that some local housing authorities would not act to rehouse families until evidence of the ministry's intention to repossess was forthcoming.

The ministry and the Department of the Environment were considering a scheme to avoid the distress which eviction caused. Local authorities would be asked to accept a certificate of impending homelessness as evidence of the ministry's intention.

Miss Fookes said that would be all be right, if local authorities were willing, but it did not deal with her main complaint—that it was too easy for Servicemen to alter the status of their wives and families.

Solicitor jailed for theft of £28,000

A St Helens solicitor was jailed for 30 months at Liverpool Crown Court yesterday. Robert William Orrell, aged 41, of Swinburn Road, St Helens, pleaded guilty to four charges of theft.

Mr Charles James, for the prosecution, said Mr Orrell stole more than £28,000 from clients.

Mr John Briggs, for the defence, said he was too kind-hearted. Half the money had gone on loans to clients in difficulties. His own affairs weer in a muddle. He had been struck off as a solicitor.

Defectors may have made leaders nervous

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back at work on Monday, but when he failed to arrive a BBC secretary was sent to his home. She looked through the letter box and saw Mr Simenov crumpled at the bottom of the stairs. The broadcaster's death was reported in the bulletin, read by a colleague, transmitted to Bulgaria that night.

Mr Simeonov was getting ready to go on holiday on Saturday. Last April he booked a £690 two-week tour in Israel and last Thursday called at a travel agents in Aldwych to check that his tickets were ready.

Mr Markov and Mr Kostov were always vulnerable because they were well-known writers and broadcasters who defected when they were well advanced in their careers. Their work was certain to irritate some parts of the Bulgarian establishment. But Mr Simeonov was young and almost unknown.

Observers of East European politics believe that Bulgaria's leaders may have become nervous about the work of defectors.

They are elderly and conservative and "may be frightened of the slightest ripple", Mr George Schopflin, a lecturer in East European politics at the London School of Economics, said last night. "After all, the country has, according to Amnesty International, more than 5,000 political prisoners, which is a lot for a country of 8,800,000 people. Perhaps the rulers have become worried by the work of the emigrés, and the noises made by a civil rights group which has called for freedom of emigration.

Mr Schopflin, who worked for the BBC for nine years, and knew Mr Markov, said he did not think the work done by the Bulgarian unit would offend the Bulgarian Government.

Mr Simeonov, with other colleagues, was to have been interviewed yesterday by detectives from Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist squad who are investigating Mr Markov's death.

Patient killed his counsellor

A patient who stabbed to death his former nursing counsellor, the one woman he loved, was sent to Broadmoor by Judge Miskin, QC, the Recorder at the Central criminal court yesterday.

Salvatore Perrillo, aged 23, a student, of Melody Road, Wandsworth, London, pleaded not guilty to murdering Miss Elizabeth Carlsen, aged 34, of Manor Gardens, Raynes Park, on May 13 last, but guilty to manslaughter because of diminished responsibility. His plia was accepted.

European Ford vehicles stopped at the docks

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

The Transport and General Workers' Union's London regional office has circulated an official request throughout the union calling for blacking of Ford products in support of the strike by the company's 57,000 manual workers.

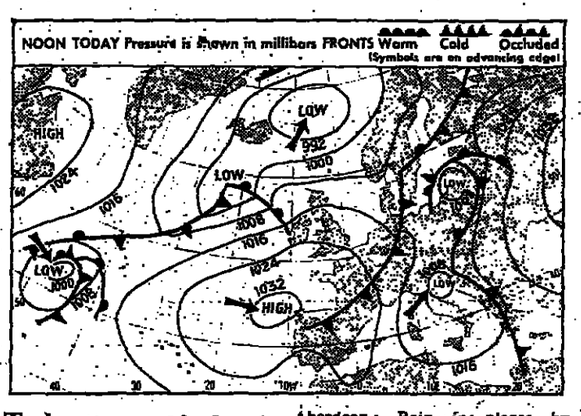
Dockers and delivery drivers have anticipated the request by stopping the import of all Ford vehicles through British ports and the movement of cars from compounds where they are stored.

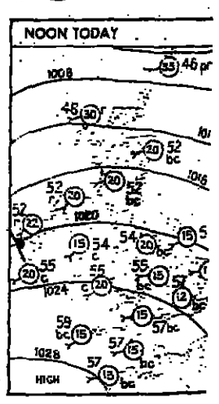
Ford said last night that there had been no imports through Hull, Harwich, Dover and Southampton, the main ports used by the company for importing about 3,000 European-built cars each week, mainly Granada, Capri and Fiesta models. Liverpool dockers are also supporting the strike, although Ford uses the port mainly for exports.

Dagenham shop stewards met yesterday to hear a report on Friday's meeting of union negotiators. Mr Frederick Blake, TGWU regional officer, said last night that the stewards were as determined as ever to support their demand that the company should improve its basic pay offer of 5 per cent.

There was no sign, however, of any early move by the company.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 7.5 am Sun sets: 6.33 pm
Moon rises: 9.23 am Moon sets: 7.48 pm
First Quarter October 9.
Lighting up: 7.3 pm to 6.37 am.
High water: London Bridge, 3.46 am, 7.4m (24.4ft); 3.58 pm, 7.5m (24.6ft). Avonmouth, 9.24 am, 13.3m (43.6ft); 9.37 pm, 13.4m (43.9ft). Dover, 12.49 am, 6.6m (21.6ft); 1.5 pm, 6.8m (22.2ft). Hull, 8.3 am, 7.5m (24.6ft); 8.28 pm, 7.3m (24.0ft). Liverpool, 12.56 am, 9.4m (30.8ft); 1.18 pm, 9.4m (30.8ft).

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
A ridge of high pressure will build across the United Kingdom from the SW, but a frontal trough wil breach the NW later.

London, SE, Central S, E. SW, Central N England, East Anglia, Midlands, Channel Islands, S Wales: Mainly dry, early mist, bright or sunny spells; wind W to SW, moderate; max temp 15° to 17°C (59° to 63°F).

N Wales, NW, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen: Rain in places by nightfall, sunny spells becoming cloudy; wind W to SW, moderate, freshening; max temp 15°F (59°F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Rain spreading from W later, sunny intervals, becoming cloudier; wind SW, moderate to fresh, strengthening; max temp 14°C (57°F).

NE and NW Scodand, Argyll: Scattered showers, general rain spreading from W, sunny intervals, quickly becoming cloudier; wind SW, fresh, becoming strong to gale; max temp 13°C (55°F).

Orkney, Shetland: Scattered showers, general rain before nightfall, bright intervals, becoming generally cloudy; wind W to SW, strong to gale; max temp 12°C

N Ireland: Dry and bright at first, becoming cloudy with rain; wind SW, moderate, strengthening; max temp 13° to 14°C (55° to 57°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Rain at times in N; S districts will probably be mostly dry with sunny intervals; temp near normal, but warm in parts of S.

b—blue sky, bc—half clou cloudy; c—overcast; f—fog, fl—fall, m—mist; r—rain; tr—thundestorm, s—shower periodical rain with spsw.

Sea passages: S Nor Strait of Dover: Wir moderate or fresh, sea moderate.

English Channel (E): W backing W, light or moder slight.

St George's Channel: W backsking SW; sea slight

Irish Sea: Wind NW, SW, fresh locally, stron; sea moderate.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 pm, 13°C (55°F); min. 7 am, 10°C (50°F). Hur pm, 67 per cent. Rain, pm, 0.04in. Sun, 24hr t 0.2hr. Bar, mean sea leve 1,025.6 millibars, rising. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F		C	F		C	F
Algiers	c	18	64	Cologne	c	8	46	L Palmas	c	25	77
Amsterdm	c	16	60	Copenhgn	c	9	48	Lisbon	c	24	75
Athens	s	26	79	Dublin	c	13	55	Locarno	r	15	59
Barcelona	r	19	66	Edinburgh	s	15	59	London	c	15	59
Beirut	s	28	82	Florence	r	17	63	Luxembrg	r	10	50
Belfast	r	11	52	Funchal	f	25	77	Madrid	s	17	63
Berlin	c	9	48	Geneva	s	21	70	Majorca	c	28	82
Biarritz	s	16	61	Gibraltar	f	21	70	Malaga	s	28	82
Birmingham	r	13	55	Guernsey	c	15	59	Malta	s	31	88
Bristol	r	14	57	Helsinki	c	4	39	Manchstr	c	13	55
Brussels	c	7	45	Innsbruck	c	13	55	Moscow	c	4	39
Budapest	r	15	59	Istanbul	s	27	81	Munich	c	10	50
Cardiff	r	10	50	Jersey	s	14	57	Naples	r	13	55
Nice	r	15	59
Oslo	c	11	52
Paris	c	9	48
Rome	s	27	81
Rovaniemi	f	12	54
Stockholm	f	11	52
Tel Aviv	s	27	81
Venice	r	16	61
Vienna	r	19	66
Warsaw	c	8	46
Zurich	c	10	50

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£90,000 of goods in flat of shoplifter

The flat in St John's Wood, ondon, of Richard Jeakings is a cross between a department store and an art gallery, d £90,000 of goods were recovered from it, Mr Douglas air, for the prosecution, said Knightsbridge Crown Court, ondon, yesterday.

Mr Jeakings, aged 33, who mitted 23 charges of theft d asked for 123 offences to taken into consideration, s sentenced by Judge Phelan three years' imprisonment, d ordered to pay £1,500 wards the costs of the prosetion and £500 towards legal . The judge said galleries ould be warned about how Jeakings operated.

Mr Blair said Mr Jeakings's t contained 1,100 works of and luxury goods. An "exition" of the items was held Marylebone police station d experts from London art lleries and stores were invil to identify their property.

Counsel said Mr Jeakings's oplifting exploits were disered when he was arrested er stealing wax polish and er cleaning materials from urne and Hollingsworth, in West End.

When Mr Jeakings was taken the police station the saddle- of his bicycle was searched d a drawing was found that had stolen from an art galy that morning. He was ged to have said: "I picked up in Agnews."

Mr Blair continued: "The ice realized that this was not t an ordinary shoplifter, and warrant was obtained to rch his flat." They then lized that he was one of the ost prolific thieves" who ever appeared before the rt.



Part of the haul, shown at Marylebone police station, taken from London stores and art galleries.

"That flat may be described as a treasure trove or a fairy grotto. He described it in a postcard to a friend as 'The Palace'."

Among the goods the police recovered from the flat were a Picasso print valued at £7,000, a William Blake painting valued at £12,000, two icons valued at £7,000 each, 40 £80 cashmere sweaters, two colour television sets and two stereo hi-fi units.

A Chinese roof tile Mr Jeakings had stolen was of the kind put on a building to finish it off and keep away thieves. "In his case it clearly failed", Mr Blair said.

The police asked Mr Jeakings how he had managed to steal so much. "I just walk in and take them", he had replied. "It is really easy. If you have got the nerve you can get away with anything."

Det Inspector Roy Ramm said that Mr Jeakings was a British national living with his parents in Australia. He had received psychiatric treatment there.

Mr David McNeill, QC, for the defence, said: "One of the conclusions psychiatrists have reached is that he stole because the thefts gave him a thrill." Counsel described some of the thefts from London stores:

He took a picture off a wall as other prospective buyers were looking at it, and walked out of the store.

He took a television set, walked out, and was helped by a doorman to get into a taxi. He then tipped the doorman.

"It is ironic that he was arrested, not for stealing valuable works of art, but a small quantity of household cleaning materials. Among these materials was a bottle of Fairy Liquid, and when his flat was searched it was found that he already had eight bottles of the stuff."

EEC currency plan 'an elephant pit'

By a Staff Reporter

A common currency meant common government, Mr Enoch Powell, MP for Down, South, said last night in an attack on the proposed new European monetary system

Speaking to Newbury Round Table, Berkshire, Mr Powell said that his purpose was to draw attention to an elephant pit being prepared for Britain.

He recalled that at the last meeting of the European Council of Ministers in July, the nine governments of the EEC had decided that they would set up a new European monetary system at the next meeting.

The public and Parliament, he said, had taken little notice

Unless Britain woke up to what was really going on and speedily summoned the courage to say "No", it would be all over by December and France and Germany would have won by far the greatest battle so far in their war against the United Kingdom.

Those who know the real Europe, that seething cauldron of resentments, ambitions and hostilities, understand very well what is afoot. Step by step the once proud offshore island is to be subjugated and turned into a subordinate province.

"The only dispute will be between France and Germany as to who is to have the larger share of the spoils and tribute."

Prison officers at Dartmoor increase action

Prison officers at Dartmoor intensified their industrial action yesterday in support of a claim for back pay. The move by the 200 officers, which began yesterday morning, will keep most of the 500 prisoners in their cells for nearly 23 hours a day.

They will be allowed out for only two 30-minute exercise periods, and to collect their meals. There will be no outside working parties or visits to workshops and no television in the evenings.

'Star' case postponed

Legal moves by the *Morning Star*, the Communist daily newspaper, to stop Express Newspapers using the title the "Daily Star" for their new paper were postponed for the second time in the High Court yesterday.

Flowers thrown as woman is remanded

Two red carnations were thrown into the dock from the public gallery at Bow Street Magistrates' Court yesterday when Astrid Proll, aged 31, the German woman said to be associated with the Baader-Meinhof terrorist gang, was further remanded in custody for a week.

Miss Proll, due to face an application for extradition by the West German Government, waved to the gallery and as she was led away someone shouted "Good luck, Astrid".

There were no demonstrations outside the court when she arrived, but as she left, a group of supporters began chanting "Free Astrid". They were members of a defence committee set up to fight her extradition to West Germany.

Court plea on duke's £1m death duties

Mr Justice May was asked in the High Court yesterday to rule that death duties of at least £1m should not be paid on the £4m estate of the fourth Duke of Westminster because he died of war wounds.

The duke's executors, his brother Robert, the fifth duke, and Mr George Barry-King, are challenging the refusal of the Ministry of Defence to grant a war wound certificate which would exempt the estate from duty.

The duke, who owned 300 acres in Mayfair and Belgravia, London, died in 1967, aged 60, of cancer and blood poisoning. His executors claim that his death resulted from a wound he suffered while commanding a tank regiment in France in 1944.

Mr John Vinelott, QC, for the executors, said that the ministry had considered the case four times

The ministry had offered a further review, but the executors wanted a court ruling.

The hearing continues today.

Plea to reject motorway route

A preferred route for the planned M25 motorway from Swanley to Sevenoaks, Kent, would be damaging to an area of outstanding natural beauty, Mr Patrick Leonard, assistant director of the Countryside Commission, told a public inquiry at Swanley yesterday.

"It would be so destructive to the Kent Downs area that we urge the Secretary of State to reject the scheme", he said.

leed for more library books in Welsh emphasized

Kenneth Gosling

he importance of providing etter selection of books in Welsh language is emphaed in a report published y by the Library Advisory ncil for Wales. It also dises the difficulties in providservices in rural areas, mon to many library ms but particularly acute 'ales.

ie report, completed last mber, says that economic other constraints have led he recognition of certain is in the provision of ry service points, ranging full services for a community of 25,000 or more to a library open for at least 15 hours a week in an isolated community of 1,500 or more.

Such standards, applied to Wales, would provide, outside the southern industrial belt, only two libraries, at Colwyn Bay and Wrexham, with full services, and only six others, between Carmarthen and Wrexham, a distance of some 130 miles, open for 30 hours a week or more.

The pattern of library services in the 300 square miles centred on Machynlleth is characteristic of rural areas everywhere, the report adds. Making more than minimal services available in such areas must involve careful coordination of facilities within each library authority and cooperation with other services.

The survival of local culture, it says, is threatened on the one hand by the decline of chapels and churches and the community spirit and cultural and recreational activities which they engendered, and on the other by the powerful influence of the mass media, notably radio and television.

In many villages the loss of primary schools had weakened the local community. The report says:

The public library service remains as a means of enriching cultural life in rural areas and it is therefore vital that its contribution should be maintained and developed. . . .

Many people learn Welsh privately, using records, radio and television, and for these, public libraries should expect to provide records, textbooks and readers. Students and libraries have found a dearth of books intended specifically for Welsh learners, with a high interest age but low reading age, and this is a problem to which the Welsh Books Council is invited to give some attention.

Library Services in Rural Areas: Library Services to Welsh Industry. (Stationery Office, £1.75.)

Parents to ask commission to make tawse illegal

From Our Correspondent
Dunfermline

Mr William Cusan and his wife, Jane, are leaving Scotland at the weekend for Strasbourg to ask the European Commission of Human Rights to declare illegal the use of the tawse, a leather strap, at Beath High School, Cowdenbeath.

Two years ago their son, Jeffrey, then aged 15, was suspended from school for refusing corporal punishment for climbing over a school wall to take a short cut home.

Mr Cusan, a taxi proprietor, and his wife were unable to get an assurance from Fife education authority that their son would not be liable for corporal punishment if he returned to school. The boy did not go back but was then unable to get a job.

Mr Graham Cox, of Dunfermline, the Cusan's solicitor, said the hearing next Wednesday before the commission should take only 15 minutes. "We expect the commission will then either declare the application inadmissable or remit it to the European Court of Human Rights," he said.

Jet travel with Elizabethan theme planned by airline

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent

Passengers on British Airways jumbo jets between Britain and the United States will find that from the end of this month their flights will have an Elizabethan theme.

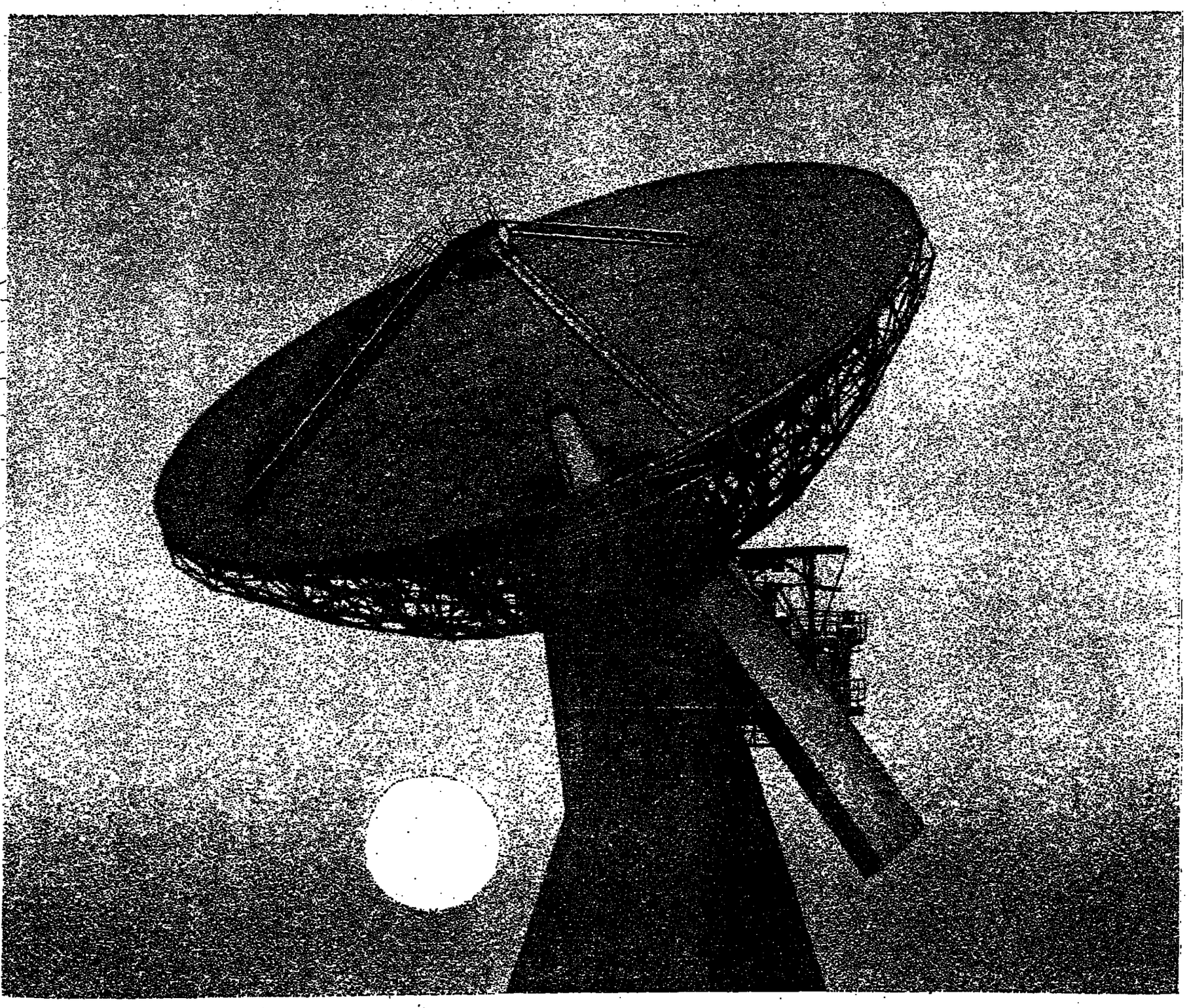
They will be greeted by recorded lute music and offered ale and cider from stone flagons and served dishes based on Elizabethan recipes.

On October 29 changes will also be made in the classes of flight available. Instead of the traditional two cabins, first-class and economy, there will be first-class, club class, for passengers paying the full economy fare, and at the rear of the aircraft discount class, in which all those with cheap tickets will travel.

Introducing the new scheme yesterday, Mr Gerry Draper, British Airways director of commercial operations, said that for too long the special needs of the business traveller had not been fully appreciated. "He pays up to three times higher than many discount fares, but does not receive enough consideration in return."

In the club class travellers will not pay for drinks, in-flight entertainment will be free, and on the ground there will be special check-in areas: help to take passengers' minds off the fact that North Atlantic fares are likely to rise by 5 per cent in the spring.

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Conference photographs by Bill Warhurst

Mr Ian Mikardo (left), who was voted off the national executive committee, and successful candidates: Mr Leslie Huckfield, Mr Dennis Skinner and Mr Neil Kinnock.

Callaghan warning of measures to combat inflation

Reports by Alan Wood, Gordon Wellman, Philip Webster, Howard Underwood and Stephen Goodwin, of our Parliamentary Staff.

"If Monday's decision of the party conference to reject the Government's 5 per cent pay policy resulted in any weakening of the impulse pay policy had had in keeping inflation down, then the Government would take offsetting action through monetary and fiscal measures, Mr James Callaghan stated at Blackpool yesterday.

The Prime Minister reminded conference delegates it was the Government's inescapable responsibility to keep inflation down in the interests of all the people of the United Kingdom. In calling for talks between the unions and the Government, Mr Callaghan said he would even make the approach himself.

Reminding the conference that incomes policy depended on acquiescence and support, Mr Callaghan conceded that this year the Government had failed to get it. "But I look to you", he declared, "to make the maximum contribution that lies within your power."

The Prime Minister, who at the end of his wide-ranging speech received a standing ovation after he said that Labour would submit themselves with confidence to the British people, did not detail the monetary and fiscal measures that may be needed, but he did point out that if the Chancellor refused to permit the money supply to increase then that would have an impact on company liquidity and thus on the level of wages they could pay and the number of employees they would take on or keep on their books.

Mr Callaghan began: "I am able to report that there has been an improvement during the last 12 months in the national standard of living, and an improvement in our provision of care for those in need. There has been further progress in improving our financial position with other countries, further progress in carrying out our programme, and an improved standing for Britain throughout the world. To say that is not to say that we have finished, we have hardly started, but it is as well that these things should be put on record".

Pointing out that they would shortly embark on the last session of the present Parliament, Mr Callaghan recalled that in "the dark and candlelit days of the last weeks of the Conservative government" the question being posed was: "Is Britain governed?"

Labour had stated in their manifesto that they did not go along with the prophets of doom. They had said to the people: "Give us two or three years and we shall get back on the right course.

"The people did and we have. Why was there such gloom about Britain's prospects at home and abroad in those days? The answer is 'runaway inflation'. Week after week, month after month prices zoomed up, wages chased after them, indeed, wages were indexed to keep up with the cost of living, the Tory Chancellor of the Exchequer printed pound notes by the trunkful in order to keep pace with the increase in wages being paid out and in order to keep pace with the rising prices.

"Inflation threatened to submerge not only our personal standards and family living standards but threatened our very institutions. At the end no one was a penny piece better off. Most were worse off."

The Prime Minister said that Labour rejected that approach and entered into arrangements with the trade unions; a Labour government was elected which gave a further foundation on which to build. They had not underrated in their manifesto the difficulties and immensity of the job they had to do.

The pit from which the country had escaped was one into which they did not intend to return. The Government's responsibility was to prevent a slip back into an inflationary situation.

The ultimate test of a Labour government was how it fulfilled the needs of those who put their trust in it. As long as there was a family without a home a man or woman without a job, a patient waiting for a hospital bed, or someone who suffered from discrimination because of his colour, race or creed, the Labour Government had work to do.

"In that spirit of challenge I invite you to look forward to the next five years of Labour government", Mr Callaghan told delegates. "This conference comes at a crucial moment in Labour history. Not for the first time the present Labour Government have cleared up the chaos left by the Tories. The difference this time is that we have been able to begin the process of improving the condition of the people."

They had not had to waste the first three years clearing up after the Tories. It was now for the Government and the national executive to prepare a decisive and relevant programme to put to the people. Work had been going on for some months on that.

"Our purpose as a party is to present a bold, creative socialist challenge to all those forces that perpetuate injustice, class division, racial bigotry, poverty and so injure the true freedom of the individual to develop his qualities to the full."

Mr Callaghan put forward four necessary conditions for the next Labour government's success.

"First, that we shall not throw away the gains of recent years. Next, that we use the benefits of North Sea oil wisely to adapt and modernize our industry, to provide new jobs and steady growth. You can be sure that Labour does not intend to blow it all in an election orgy of tax bribes.

"Third, Britain must become even more productive to match up to the Germans and other major competitors. Fourth, we must be ready for big industrial changes while at the same time safeguarding our people from their ill effects.

"The present international economic climate necessitates large-scale government programmes of job creation, cooperation with private industry and industrial and social reform.

"Today's serious employment problems are caused by the world recession, by inflation and by competition of newly developed industries in the Third World. Tomorrow's employment will depend on our response to unprecedented technical change, a rate of change that is ever more rapid. We must move fast to keep up."

He gave as an example the microprocessor, which was beginning to make many long-established mechanical processes out of date.

The industrial strategy was now three years old and involved a partnership between the Government, the National Enterprise Board, the nationalized industries, private industry and the trade unions to carry Britain to the forefront of the new industrial revolution.

Nothing better illustrated the irrelevance of the present Tory leadership than their attitude to the industrial strategy. They sneered at it, they tried to block active government intervention and partnership, they voted against measures that protected jobs, and they begrudged money spent to ease the burden of unemployment.

In a time of such rapid change Tories were as out of place as a pennyfarthing on the motorway, and were just as dangerous.

Sir Keith Joseph's way would turn whole regions of the country into industrial wasteland. "Recent events, or more accurately non-events, have smoked out the Tory Party. We now know how they intend to misrepresent the problem of unemployment and a number of other issues when the general election comes.

"Now we have to use the next period to expose the hollowness that enables their advertising agents to use the TV and cinema screens to proclaim that they will increase government spending on housing and pensions and defence, and almost anything else you care to name and yet will cut taxes at the same time."

Some of Labour's opponents were not entirely happy at their exercising their constitutional rights to carry this Parliament into a fifth session.

"They espouse a new constitutional theory that general elections should be called to suit copy deadlines of advertising agencies. I hold a different view: elections are best held when a government has completed a phase of its work. The country can then make a proper judgment both on the Government's record and on its plans for the future."

Turning to prices and pay, Mr Callaghan said the Government continued its attack on rising prices on three fronts. The first was a vigorous Price Commission with powers to investigate prices and profit margins and power to recommend the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection to order a price freeze.

"We propose to set up the attack on prices. The next Labour government will further strengthen the powers of the Price Commission if it is shown to need them."

Nationalized industries had helped: gas charges would have remained at the same level for two years and telephone charges for more than three years. It looked as though next year's increase in railway fares would be significantly lower than this year's.

The Government had continued to batter away at the excesses of the EEC's agricultural policy. It was designed to protect the producer and not the consumer. Their objective was to change that. The EEC fisheries policy, too, in its present form just would not do.

Turning to Monday's debate on the economy, and pay policy in particular, Mr Callaghan said that the conference had a wealth of experience and embraced a wealth of interests that could not be equalled in any political or other forum throughout Britain.

They had to argue the matter out themselves, because if they could not solve it he did not believe there was any other group in the country that could. Who else was going to resolve the differences of opinion that were expressed if the conference did not?

One of the features of Monday's debate on economic policy was the concentration on pay. Apart from the Chancellor there were only scattered references to inflation. The great emphasis was on pay policy.

The beginning of pay policy for the Government was not, to use Mr Clive Jenkins's words, to introduce artificial curbs on people's pay. The beginning for the Government was: "How do we keep inflation down?" That was where the Government started.

Therefore the beginning of their consideration of those matters was: "How do we live up to the undertaking that we all entered into a year ago that we would get inflation down into single figures and keep it there?" Inflation then was closer to their recollection and within their experience.

It was a measure of the success of the trade unions, the Government and the people of Britain that it was now farther back in their consciousness and they talked more about pay than inflation.

The Tory spokesmen at that time had said the Government could not get inflation down into single figures and if they did get it there for a month it would go up again.

"I think I am right in saying it has been down there since last April and Mr Healey is forecasting that it will stay there for at least another six months. That is 12 months and it is the result of the policies we have followed."

Pay increases this year had exceeded the figure the Government thought would keep it down to single figures. It was having an effect but other factors that he had also acknowledged—the influence of the level of the pound sterling and the influence of the cost of the products imported in order to feed into manufactures—had helped.

The Government's best assessment this year was that earnings above 5 per cent were likely to carry inflation back into double figures.

Mr Callaghan went on: "I believe in the sincerity of the trade union movement. I believe them when they say they intend to bargain responsibly during the next 12 months. I always have. Unfortunately, there is not any agreed arithmetical definition of the word 'responsible' when you are making pay claims. I have not yet known a union put in a pay claim which they thought was irresponsible.

"The question the Government faces is this. Supposing all these responsible pay claims in the end add up to inflation moving back into double figures, with all that that implies. What then? Do we desert our determination to keep down inflation? Does the Government stand by paralysed and watch helplessly?

"No. It is the Government's inescapable responsibility to keep down inflation not against anybody, but in the interests of the whole of the people of this country", he declared to prolonged applause.

If Monday's decisions resulted in a weakening of the impulse that pay policy had had in helping to keep inflation in single figures and if as a result inflation started to move up, then the Government would take offsetting action to keep inflation down through monetary and fiscal measures. That was their responsibility.

"It is necessary that the country should know that the Government accepts that responsibility and we do not seek to evade it and no one can relieve us of it", Mr Callaghan said.

He added that he still relied on the trade union movement as far as they could possibly go. He had never asked them to separate themselves from their colleagues. He had never said that in a free trade union movement a trade union leader should lead his followers where they did not want to go. That was why he had said incomes policy depended on support and acquiescence.

"We failed this year. The Government has failed. We have not got it. So I will look to all of you to make the maximum contribution that lies within your power. You have a job in education to do with your members, just as we have with the country as a whole."

He hoped pay policy would still have a part to play through the responsible level of the settlements.

If the Chancellor decided in keeping inflation down that he would not permit the monetary supply to increase at the level it would have increased otherwise, that would have an impact on companies' liquidity: indirect, not obvious, but it would be there. It would have an impact on the level of wages they could pay. The number of employees they would take on their books or keep on their books.

"I do not want to follow this path, nor does anybody else. Until you tell me: 'Go back on your policy of keeping down inflation', I regard that as totally my resonsibility and that of the Government.

"If you tell me that is not so I shall understand, but I do not believe that is your view", he said. The Transport and General Workers' Union had said on Monday that it undertook to help the Government to keep down inflation. He understood that. He accepted that. He was ready to see how it could carry that further.

They had been left with those decisions. He had indicated the path the Government would continue to follow. They could not end there. He took note of the passionate feeling of the conference about low-paid workers.

Although they might not regard it as satisfactory, the White Paper did make provision in respect of low-paid workers.

How were they to help the low-paid workers? They should not throw all the responsibility on the Cabinet and say. "That is your job". He was in favour of flexibility, but was it to be one way? He thought it went two ways.

The party document, Into the Eighties, in talking about pay, stated: "We do however believe that there must be each year a thorough discussion with the trade union movement so that there is a broad understanding in this as in other areas of our national economic life".

The Government had stated in its White Paper something rather similar: "It is the Government's view that the country should aim at a long-term approach in which collective bargaining is based each year on a broad agreement between government, unions and employers about the maximum level of earnings which is compatible with keeping inflation under control in the following 12 months."

Mr Callaghan continued: "I am ready and anxious to take up with the trade unions if they wish to do so at any time the longer-term approach to this problem to see how we are going to avoid in future the difficulties that have arisen during the course of the current year.

"We have all got our responsibilities to fulfil but I do not believe when you are arguing—and we accept that the Government must control the economy in order to try to get back to full employment, that we must use whatever means we can in the economy to secure our social ends—that wages can be left out of that calculation.

"Let us have some more talks. I will welcome any approach. I will make an approach myself if the unions care to take it up to see where we move from here. The Government will carry out its inescapable obligation to prevent inflation by whatever means are at hand to it, relying as much as we can on the responsibility of the trade unions and on our fixed policy, which I will try to interpret as easily as possible within the limits laid down in the White Paper.

"We are ready for long-term or short-term discussions. We must find a better way to resolve the issue of pay levels. The power of the organized worker in society today demands that we do."

The Government's programme for giving the unemployed the chance of a job had no equal in the Western industrialized world, but they must do better yet.

They must still find jobs not only for those unemployed but for an extra 170,000 men and women coming into the work force in each of the next five years. It was a daunting task, but they must face it squarely.

By next Easter every young person leaving school this year, including the physically and mentally handicapped, would either have a job or have been offered a training place or work experience.

The Government, intended as soon as possible to offer all 16 to 18-year-olds at work the opportunity to continue in relevant education and training, and would publish a White Paper in the next session setting out their proposals.

Meanwhile they were concentrating on the position of the long-term unemployed. More than 300,000 people had been out of work for 12 months or more. Most were willing and eager to work, but through no fault of their own could not find a job.

The Government intended to begin preparing a scheme for the long-term unemployed similar to their plans for school-leavers and one that could be introduced during the life of the next Labour government.

The Government intended to legislate to give employees in industry the right to more information about their firms' affairs, investment plans and other matters of importance. They wanted employees to have a bigger share in taking decisions that affected their well-being and perhaps their jobs.

The referendums on devolution would give the people of Scotland and Wales a chance to express their views on whether they wished to have a greater voice in their national affairs.

At a different but still important level the Government would legislate to give parents and teachers more influence in the way schools were run.

Subject to the recommendations of the Royal Commission on the Health Service, the Government intended to undo much of the damage caused by the Tory reorganization. The aim was to make the management of the service more responsible to the patients and the dedicated people at all levels who worked in it.

The Prime Minister said that modern society was so highly interdependent and organized that it was easy almost totally to disrupt it.

Crime, violence and vandalism were of deep concern to the people. The statement the conference would consider tomorrow emphasized that the Government would continue to provide full resources and support to everybody responsible for crime prevention, but it would also contain a reminder that every citizen had his part to play.

The Labour Government did not want to win support on the basis of fear. It was the party of hope. Britain would be a much cruder, more unjust and more selfish society if Tory values were to prevail.

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Two-stage method of reselection adopted

By a substantial majority in a card vote, the conference adopted a new two-stage procedure for the reselection of MPs. Under the procedures, constituency Labour parties who wish to do so will be empowered to have a full reselection conference but parties who are satisfied with their serving MPs will not be compelled to go through that process.

The call for a completely automatic reselection process to be set in motion between elections was rejected.

Mandatory reselection of MPs would give an opportunity to bring in more working-class sponsored members, Mr Terry Hunt (Basingstoke) said.

Moving an amendment to the national executive's proposals for reselection, Mr Hunt said it would, if carried, make Labour MPs more accountable to the party and thereby increase the chances of the policies decided upon by the conference being carried out in Parliament.

"It will also provide the party with a less damaging way of getting rid of MPs when necessary, as in the case of Reg Prentice."

The amendment provided that once during the lifetime of each Parliament each constituency party would hold a proper selection conference. The MP would automatically be included in the nominations to be considered unless he wished to retire.

"It is a safe way of going about it", Mr Hunt said. "When democracy is a normal state of affairs throughout the country the media will not be able to persecute those constituencies which do decide to go for reselection."

The NEC had suggested an optional system whereby the constituency which wanted to have reselection would first have to pass a vote of no confidence in its MP.

The NEC proposal gave an open invitation to the anti-Labour mass media to leap upon any constituency that opted to use the option. There would be stories of "red plot", "subversion", the Prentice-type situation multiplied five, 10, 50 times all over the country.

It had been said that the amendment would result in a wave of reselections throughout the country before the next general election. That was nonsense. It denied the good sense of the constituency parties and the NEC could easily after the vote put it to the conference that the proposal should not apply until after the general election.

Mr Steve Hilditch (Paddington) seconding the amendment, said the NEC proposal would reproduce exactly the problems and the bitterness of the Newham experience.

The 67 amendments put forward last year and enshrined in the amendment were designed to ensure a reasonable system of reselection in the lifetime of parliament.

Mr Bryan Stanley (Post Office Engineering Union) for the executive, said that with slight amendments the NEC recommended a solution of the problems along the lines of the report of its working party on reselection of MPs. The working party was unanimous that there was an obligation to include in the report definite proposals for a mandatory selection procedure.

The working party decided on a two-stage procedure which would enable those constituency Labour parties who wished to do so to have a full selection conference, but which did not force constituency parties who were totally satisfied with their MPs to go through the unnecessary process of a further selection conference.

The two-stage procedure would safeguard the interests of sponsoring organizations by giving them a chance to put forward an alternative nomination at the second stage if they wished to do so.

The general committee of the constituency party would first have the democratic opportunity to decide whether it wished to adopt a sitting MP as prospective candidate. It was not a vote of confidence, but simply a vote whether they had a selection conference. If that was the decision that would be the end of the matter.

If it was not carried the alternative proposition to commence the selection procedure would exercise natural justice the MP would be placed automatically on the short list.

In accordance with the need to exercise natural justice the MP would have the right of appeal to the NEC should he be rejected at any stage, but any appeal would have to be based solely on the grounds that the procedure had not been carried out.

The working party thought it would be fair to ensure that the decision on reselection should be taken by newcomers to the constituency and proposed that those entitled to attend and vote at the relevant meeting must have been a member of that particular constituency party for at least six months and to have attended at least one previous meeting of the general committee during the year.

Mr Stanley said that NEC was satisfied it had kept its promise to provide for a mandatory reselection procedure. "We are convinced that way we are recommending is the best way to resolve this long standing problem."

Mr Ian Forbes (Croydon, Central) moved a composite motion instructing the NEC to implement the recommendations of the minority report of the working party which opposed the two-stage procedure, favoured mandatory automatic reselection and opposed a new power of veto to the NEC.

He said the minority report represented the most consistent and democratic set of proposals. The proposed two-stage procedure represented the worst of all possible worlds.

Mr Alan Howarth (Newham North East), recounting in detail events over the past year in his constituency, urged the conference to vote for the minority report on mandatory reselection.

Mr Joe Ashton, MP for Bassetlaw, said all the Labour MPs worked in a non-union factory which there were no shop stewards. They were being asked all the time to serve five masters: conference, their constituencies, their trade unions, the Government and the electorate.

The sort of instant hire and quickie divorce that was being advocated would not do the party any good. It would lead to the biggest night of the long knives and purges that had been seen for a long time.

Mr William Burns (Hartlepool) said if a Labour MP lost his seat he should be subject to the same kind of conditions as other people. Labour MPs should get a salary related to the wages of the people they represented; the average industrial wage. They should also get justifiable expenses and all the necessary facilities. Conference should support the Croydon, Central, motion.

Mr Michael Cocks, the Government Chief Whip, MP for Bristol South, said he was the next thing the PLP had to a shop steward. Labour MPs had been working under great strain. Twenty-seven had died since 1974, eight in the past year.

He was concerned about the effect of the stress of automatic reselection. "How can I just be bringing people in on a stretcher or in ambulances to be rushed through the lobbies in defiance of their doctors' orders if other MPs are to be put under pressure to abstain because their local party has taken umbrage about something the Government is doing?" he asked, urging conference to support the NEC majority compromise report. It was fair.

Mr Hunt's amendment was rejected by 3,066,000 votes to 2,672,000: The NEC proposals were carried by 4,081,000 votes to 2,519,000. Those results mean that the Croydon, Central, motion

Conference notebook — **From Hugh Noyes**

Blows and balm for Prime Minister

A few years ago a senior House of Commons official expressed the opinion that of all the Prime Ministers he had known closely for over fifty years none had left office with his sanity totally intact. Witnessing Mr James Callaghan's trials at the Labour Party conference, it is easy to see why.

No sooner had the Prime Minister scored one of his greatest oratorical triumphs yesterday in his address to the conference than he was struck amidships by another thunderbolt almost as unwelcome as Monday's loss of the 5 per cent pay guidelines.

Scarcely had delegates resumed their seats after giving him a standing ovation than Mr Callaghan was told that Mr Denis Skinner, the "Beast of Bolsover" and MP for that constituency, had been elected to the national executive committee and so from now on would be a thorn in Prime Ministerial flesh at more than the parliamentary level.

Sunny Jim could soon be thinking that St Peter and all the angels are not altogether on his side. There was little consolation in the departure from the executive of Mr Ian Mikardo. "Better the devil you know", could be the thinking of Mr Callaghan on that exchange.

It has been almost as unhappy a week for Mr Mikardo as it has been for the Prime Minister. First, that veteran of innumerable battles against authority found that he was not going to be allowed to puff away at his famous pipe after the ban on smoking.

Then yesterday he lost the seat he has held since 1950, a double blow that could well have been as serious a risk to sanity as have been any of the pressures on the Prime Minister.

But apart from those diversions it was Mr Callaghan's day. He claimed even that, in a detached and masochistic sort of way, he had enjoyed the pay policy debate. But to tell delegates, in effect, that they had got it all wrong on pay policy and guidelines and that the Government would pay scant attention to what the conference had overwhelmingly agreed—all done in a manner that earned him a standing ovation—showed an oratorical prowess not within the gift of many politicians.

One moment he was seemingly humble and repentant, with a joke about a Scotsman at the pearly gates suddenly discovering that he was a sinner, the next all conciliation and unification, then grandfatherly and compassionate.

Mr Benn, who had clapped enthusiastically on Monday for Mr Clive Jenkins and Mr Mostyn (Moss) Evans, was as vigorous yesterday in applause for the Prime Minister. Mr Mikardo, who never rises from his seat for anyone (except now to smoke his pipe outside the conference hall), and Miss Joan Maynard were the only platform members to remain seated as Mr Callaghan ended his speech.

Even Mr Norman Atkinson, the party treasurer and a leading member of the left-wing Tribune Group of MPs, joined in the general acclaim.

After a momentary hiccup during which it looked as though the party might be left with no system for electing its leader, delegates decided that they would leave the job as before to their MPs.

The only change will be that if Mr Callaghan hangs on for another year he will become officially not only the leader of the parliamentary party, but also leader of the whole Labour movement.

Government is urged to raise death grant

The conference unanimously passed a resolution calling on the Government to raise the death grant from "the present derisory £30 to an amount sufficient to cover the cost of a normal funeral".

The new levels would be available to all, unlike the present system of grant, paid according to the age of the deceased. Grant levels would be reviewed annually to take account of inflation.

Mr Jack Ashley, MP for Stoke-on-Trent, South, on behalf of the national executive, recommended acceptance of the resolution. The conference he said, should tell the Government that death grants were now back on the agenda.

He said that successive governments had been abdicating the commitment of the splendid post-war Labour Government. When death grants were introduced in 1949 the figure was set at £20. That covered the cost of a normal funeral.

Mrs Susan Houston (Motherwell and Wishaw) said more than £30 must be given. "It would be more realistic to give £150 and let old people die with dignity and not in disgrace and debt."

Review of tax system is now under way

Work on a review of the tion system had started in national executive committee John Cartwright, a member NEC, said during a debate on tion.

Before the conference were resolutions, one calling fo introduction of a system of tive income tax and tax reli travel to work, and the opposing any increase in V.

Mr Cartwright said the had so far concentrated o tax problems of women a the poverty trap. He promise a full report on the review be presented to next year's ference.

During the debate Mr Sheldon, Financial Secreta the Treasury, said the Gover had to deal with married allowances and the amoun should be given in that w had been said they had generous in the past to thos did not work, had no childre no encumbrances.

The resolution on negati come tax and travel to wo relief was lost on a show of Delegates agreed to rem other motion to the NEC.

Executive backs call to take agricultural land into public ownership

A demand that the Labour Government should fulfil party policy as previously determined by the conference and take agricultural land into public ownership was made in a motion carried with the backing of the national executive.

Several speakers, including Miss Joan Maynard, MP for Sheffield, Brightside, for the executive, sought to counter the misconception they considered would be fostered by the decision.

They declared that taking farming land into public ownership was not state farming. Miss Maynard emphasized that the Labour Party had never favoured that. Day-to-day decisions must be left to the people who farmed.

The resolution, noting the increased prosperity of sectors of the agricultural industry, also called for an end to the subsidizing of that prosperity by low-paid ratepayers in rural areas. It called for the reimposition in the next session of Parliament of liability for rates on agricultural land and associated buildings.

Miss Maynard admitted that was a tall order and said she knew that Mr John Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, who listened to the debate, did not agree with her on the issue. But if the motion was passed, she said, it would strengthen their hands in trying to get the legislation next session.

Mr Jack Boddy (National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers), moving the motion, said when estates were sold, foreign buyers, investment companies and other absentee landlords were taking over. Land prices had soared and last week in Lincolnshire reached £3,000 an acre. Public ownership of land would prevent speculation. The land should go back to the people from whom it was originally taken.

Miss Janice Hendry (South-West Norfolk) said the rating of agricultural land and buildings would assist in reducing rates in rural areas or improve facilities in rural areas without increasing the rates.

Mr Gavin Strang, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, and MP for Edinburgh, East, said a high proportion of land sales were being made to financial institutions. Insurance companies and pensions funds did not have the expertise needed for farming.

They sought land purely as an investment for profit from rents or capital appreciation. Some institutions had, however, started farming directly and many of the arguments against state farming were equally relevant to farming by the big financial institutions.

As the election had been postponed, they would have time to look at the report of the Norfolk committee, which Mr Silkin had set up to look into the ownership of agricultural land.

Miss Maynard said agricultural land was one of their most precious assets and should not be left in private hands. As long as it was, profit would come first and people second. The Labour Party did not want to interfere with farming. Another myth was that they wanted to attack the small farm. The record proved that to be inaccurate. If they started with the large estates they would take over three quarters of rented land.

A further myth was that public ownership of land would spoil the special relationship between farm workers and farmers. That relationship had got them to £43 a week.

Public access to the countryside would not be marred. Farm workers, who were the key to the success story in agriculture, should have a say in what happened to the land on which they worked. Not only was public ownership of agricultural land wanted, but some industrial democracy with it as well.

Delegates keep system for electing party leader

Delegates, after three card votes, chose to retain the present system under which the Parliamentary Labour Party elects the leader of the party. Suggestions for voting at the party conference, as they do to elect the party treasurer, or for an electoral college, were rejected.

However, the matter will be raised again at next year's conference because Mr Ian Mikardo, MP for Tower Hamlets, Bethnal Green and Bow, who earlier in the annual elections lost his seat on the national executive, explained that whatever the system chosen, a motion would be put by the NEC on next year's agenda, to implement it.

At the close of the debate Miss Joan Lestor, the chairman, explained that the resolution that had been carried meant that the Parliamentary Labour Party would continue to elect the leader, but next year the executive would have to bring forward proposals for making the leader the leader of the whole party and not just of the PLP.

After Mr Mikardo had explained how the conference could make its choice from the three options Mr Brian Hunter (Lowestoft) said he considered the election of leader should remain with members of the PLP. The leadership should be decided by those best qualified to know.

Mr Stuart Holland, prospective parliamentary candidate for Lambeth, Vauxhall, said that while the trade union movement might provide financial muscle, the backbone of the party and the legwork done on the doorstep during and between elections was provided by constituency parties. Unless the base was widened a great opportunity would be missed in the leadership election. He favoured election at the party conference.

Mr Neil Kinnock, MP for Bedwellty, said there were in the Labour Party two areas of election in which the candidates produced had no direct accountability or responsibility. Those areas were the leader of the party and members of the NEC. That must be changed.

There was a story that during the election of the leader an elderly Yorkshire MP was approached by one of Mr Roy Jenkins's acolytes or supporters and asked if he would vote for Mr Jenkins.

His reply was: "No. We are all Labour here". (Laughter and loud applause.)

Results of elections to NEC

The following were elected to the national executive committee:

Trade unions section: R. Tuck (NUR) 5,763,000; S. McCluskie (National Union of Seamen) 5,434,00; T. Bradley (TSSA) 5,270,000; A. Kitson (TGWU) 5,245,000; N. Hough (GMWU), 5,003,000; Alan Hadden (Boilermakers), 4,963,000; Frederick Mulley (APEX), 4,576,000; J. G. Russell (AUEW), 4,571,000; F. Williams (NUM), 4,243,000; J. Golding (POEU), 3,940,000; D. Hoyle (ASTMS), 3,435,000; S. Tierney (USDAW), 3,374,000.

Constituency Labour parties section: A. Wedgwood Benn (Bristol, South-East), 460,000; J. Lestor (Eton and Slough), 372,000; E. Heffer (Walton), 349,000; F. Allaun (Salford, East), 319,000; N. Kinnock (Bedwellty), 274,000; D. Skinner (Bolsover), 261,000; Barbara Castle (Blackburn), 260,000.

Socialist, Co-operative and other organizations' section: L. Huckfield (National Union of Labour and Socialist Clubs), 30,000.

Women's section: J. Hart (Lanark), 5,442,000; L. Jeger (Camden, Holborn and St Pancras, South), 5,407,000; S. Williams (Hertford and Stevenage), 4,580,000; J. Maynard (Sheffield, Brightside), 4,085,000; and R. Short (Wolverhampton, North-East), 3,222,000.

Unsuccessful candidates, trade union section with last year's vote in brackets: D. Crawford (Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians) 2,550,000 (3,007,000); B. Dix (NUPE) 2,059,000 (722,000); T. A. Breakell (Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunications and Plumbing Union) 1,828,000 (979,000); J. D. Bradshaw (AUEW, foundry section) 1,791,000 (—); D. O. Williams (Cohse) 1,066,000 (—); R. Brown (Furniture, Timber and Allied Trades Union) 646,000 (—); R. L. Evans (Iron and Steel Trades Confederation) 623,000 (888,000); A. E. Powell (Sogat) 91,000 (260,000); A. E. Simpson (National Association of Colliery overmen, Deputies and Shotfirers) 79,000 (78,000).

CONSTITUENCY LABOUR PARTIES: I. Mikardo (St Marylebone), 258,000 (303,000); J. Ashley (Stoke-on-Trent, South), 232,000 (287,000); D. Owen (Plymouth, Devonport), 159,000 (176,000); P. Shore (Stepney and Poplar), 145,000 (235,000); R. Hattersley (Birmingham, Sparkbrook), 142,000 (—); J. Richardson (Barking), 102,000 (68,000); N. Bradley (Deptford), 97,000 (—); S. Orme (Salford West), 83,000 (81,000); R. Apps (Brighton, Kemptown), 57,000 (66,000); C. P. Wall (Shipley), 51,000 (67,000); J. Smart (Pontefract and Castleford), 41,000 (63,000); M. Thomas (Newcastle upon Tyne, East), 38,000 (—); J. Rodgers (Peterborough), 34,000 (—); E. Roberts (Hackney, North and Stoke Newi 34,000 (46,000); M. Meache ham, West), 33,000 (— Radice (Chester-le-Street), (—); D. Mabon (Greeno Port Glasgow), 32,000 (5) T. Knight (Barnsley), (—); T. Dalyell (West Lo 24,000 (45,000); W. Mc (Dundee, West), 23,000 (R. Thomas (Bristol North 22,000 (—); R. Corbett Hampstead), 17,000 (— Collins (Gateshead West), (—); J. Stallard (St P North), 10,000 (14,000); werick (Birmingham, Selly 10,000 (36,000); J. Gardner Bedfordshire), 9,000 (9,00 Evers (Sutton and Cheam) (—).

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HOME NEWS

NHS to be reorganized under worker control

From George Clark
Political Correspondent
Blackpool

The complete reorganization of the National Health Service, which Mr James Callaghan said yesterday is necessary "to repair the damage done by the Tory reorganization", is being prepared by the Government, but it may not be possible in the next session of Parliament to carry through the legislation.

According to the ministers closely involved, the area health boards will disappear in the reorganization and there will be greater democratic control of the hospital service.

The change, like the introduction of workers' participation in the running of industry and commerce, will bring representatives of workers at all levels in the health service—doctors, nurses, ancillary workers, ambulance men, caterers, and laundry staff—into the running of hospitals.

Although little publicity has been given to the proposal, Mr Patrick Jenkin, the Conservative shadow minister for health and social services, has indicated that a Conservative government would seek to amend its earlier legislation and abolish the area boards.

The Government's decision to act could have been prompted by that Conservative initiative, and it could be an example of Labour stealing the Conservative Party's clothes.

Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, whose members include professional people in the National Health Service, said he welcomed the Prime Minister's promise of reform. The Conservative reorganization was a madly bureaucratic, expensive and anti-democratic exercise", he said.

Mr Callaghan indicated that the legislation would be subject to the recommendations of the Royal Commission on the Health Service, which has been sitting for some time. But it was pointed out by officials that the commission could be asked to produce an interim report setting out the recommendations for change which it considers urgent. That could affect the administrative framework and the abolition of the area boards.

Mr Callaghan, enlarging on his main theme of giving people a bigger say in the running of their organizations and their housing estates, said that the management of the National Health Service must be made "more responsive to the patients and to the dedicated people at all levels who work for the service".

In advance of the general health service reorganization, the Government will introduce a Bill in the coming session to implement the recommendations of the Briggs committee on nursing. It will set up a new system for the government of the nursing profession, with a central nursing council, separate boards for England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, and standing committees for nurses, district nurses, mental health nurses, health visitors and midwives.

For the past three years the health committee of the Labour Party, under the chairmanship of Mr Laurence Pavitt, MP, has been pressing for the implementation of the Briggs recommendations. The legislation will contain new provisions for the training of nurses and for a new career structure to improve the prospects of advancement.

If interim recommendations are received from the royal commission, a partial reorganization of the service could come next session; for example, the area boards could be abolished and their functions allocated to district and regional hospital authorities.

Mr Callaghan put at the top of his list of priorities for the coming session beginning on November 1 legislation to give employees in industry the right to more information about their firms' affairs, including investment plans and other matters of importance.

"Employees will thus have a bigger share in the taking of decisions that affect their wellbeing and perhaps their very jobs", Mr Callaghan said.

Meters out of action in wardens' dispute

By Our Motoring Correspondent

Thousands of parking meters may be out of order in London today because of an industrial dispute involving the 1,400 traffic wardens employed by the Metropolitan Police.

The wardens are refusing to rewind meters, which they normally do about every three days, and that will make it impossible to insert money. The action, which includes an overtime ban, started on Monday in support of a 9.5 per cent Phase Three pay claim.

Mr Thomas Hayes, an assistant secretary of the Civil Service Union, said yesterday that the wardens' action appeared to have full support and he expected it to bite very soon.

Motorists are allowed to park at a meter that is not working as long as it is not officially designated out of order by having a bag placed over it. Mr Hoyes emphasized that the wardens would continue to enforce parking regulations during the dispute.

The sticking point in the negotiations is whether the increase demanded by the union should apply to overtime pay. Mr Hoyes said that since the wardens were 400 under strength, overtime was essential. He hoped, however, that a new offer would be made in the next few days.

If the dispute is not settled by the weekend it could affect traffic control and football matches and Sunday street markets.

Lewisham urged to adopt policy of positive action

Concern over jobless young blacks

By Annabel Ferriman

Lewisham council, in London, is considering adopting a policy of positive action towards black applicants and employees similar to that introduced by Camden council earlier this year.

The council is worried by the results of a survey in the borough which showed that for black school-leavers it was much harder to find employment than for whites. It is to hold a conference in the new year of local employers, trade unionists and chambers of commerce to discuss the implications of the report.

It has persuaded 24 employers in the borough to sign a declaration that they will not discriminate on the grounds of race, religion, colour or sex, and has adopted an equal opportunities policy.

The policy that it is considering goes a step farther, however. It has been drawn up by the council's race-relations working party and is to be considered by the policy committee next week.

The working party, which consists of six Lewisham councillors and six members of the Lewisham Council for Community Relations, has recommended that all advertisements placed by the council should contain the statement that Lewisham is an equal opportunities employer, and that a record should be kept of the ethnic origins of those who apply and those who are accepted.

In a pilot project for the Department of the Environment the council found that residents were not offended by being asked their ethnic origins when applying for a council house, so the working party thought that the practice could be extended to employment.

It has also recommended that special courses be devised to train applicants without formal qualifications in such subjects as social work where people from minority groups could offer special knowledge and experience.

Mr Andy Hawkins, leader of Lewisham council and joint chairman of the working party, said it was unlikely that the Government would give any help in the form of urban grants or through the rate support grant.

The council had wanted to monitor the ethnic origins of job applicants for some time, but local members of the National Union of Public Employees had been against it because they thought the council's equal opportunities policy went far enough. New discussions were to take place, however.

American lawyer cleared

Bruce Youner, aged 32, an American lawyer who flew to Britain from California to clear his name, was acquitted, at Marlborough Street, Magistrates' Court, London yesterday, of shoplifting.

Mr Youner was cleared of stealing two jumpers valued at £32.99 which he said he had taken out of a West End store to show the chauffeur for an opinion.

Dismissing the charge Mr St John Harmsworth said he normally viewed such claims with scepticism but this was a curious case and he was inclined to accept the story.

Mr Youner was arrested last July when a client had lent him the use of the chauffeur-driven car.

He told the court that he went to the Marks and Spencer store mainly to buy a pair of women's briefs of the exact style and size his wife bought five years ago. He possessed the original pair, but learnt that the line was no longer stocked.

Mr Youner collected £150 bail deposit left at the court in July.

Broadmoor for killing wife

Reginald Maskell, aged 46, who was said to have battered his wife to death in Germany three years ago during a domestic dispute, was sent from Reading Crown Court yesterday to Broadmoor for an indefinite period.

Mr Maskell pleaded not guilty to murder. His plea of guilty by reason of diminished responsibility to the manslaughter of his German-born wife, Anna, was accepted.

Airport at Maplin 'a good thing for London'

By John Young
Planning Reporter

An airport at Maplin, Essex, was one of the few projects large enough to have any real impact on the regeneration of east London, Mr F. B. Pooley, controller of planning and transportation for the Greater London Council said yesterday.

Mr Pooley's evidence to the public inquiry into the proposed fourth terminal building at Heathrow confirmed that the GLC is mounting a strong all-party campaign to revive the Maplin project.

Miss Shelagh Roberts, chairman of the council's planning and communications policy committee, said last night that she had from the outset been a convinced supporter of such a scheme, and believed it was the only way to meet the long-term air traffic needs of south-east England.

Mr Pooley told the inquiry that, from London's point of view, there were overwhelming advantages in Maplin. It was well served by public transport and, by attracting about 25 million passengers a year, would pull the East End out of the doldrums.

Attempts to regenerate the docklands were little more than cosmetic, he said.

The council was not totally opposed to the fourth Heathrow terminal, but it thought no decision should be taken until further public inquiries had considered the British Airports Authority's plans for Gatwick and Stansted.

In brief

Sir Keith's talk is sabotaged

Sir Keith Joseph, spokesman on Conservative policy, found himself addressing a tiny audience at Hatfield Polytechnic yesterday, because a group of students put up posters saying that the meeting had been cancelled.

The polytechnic's students' union had banned the meeting, but Conservative students, who had invited Sir Keith, decided that that was unconstitutional and the event should go ahead.

Coaching inn may be saved

Hereford's oldest coaching inn, the Black Swan, in Widemarsh Street, may be saved, even though the Department of the Environment consented to its demolition five years ago.

The City Council has registered an interest in acquiring the disused building under the Community Land Act in the hope of being able to hand it over to be restored as a public house.

Policeman for trial

Police Constable Ian Reeves, aged 43, of the Southall immigration squad, accused at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, London, yesterday of stealing passports and other documents from Asians, was committed on bail for trial.

Bridge closure

Lendal Bridge, over the river Ouse in York, closes for the start of six months of repairs today. Long traffic delays are expected.

Unions welcome 'shift' in government stance

From Paul Routledge
Labour Editor
Blackpool

Trade union leaders are to exploit what they see as a definite shift in the Prime Minister's commitment to tight pay controls. Members of the TUC General Council attending the Labour Party conference believe that the Government is now open to persuasion away from its rigid 5 per cent limit on wage increases next winter.

Talks between senior Cabinet ministers and union leaders are expected next week after Mr Callaghan's admission yesterday that there is a wide measure of opposition to the incomes policy from the Labour movement.

But the search for a compromise is not likely to be easy. Ministers are still convinced of the need for a formal limit on wage rises, while the influential Transport and General Workers' Union remains wedded to a policy of unfettered collective bargaining. The TGWU is due to make official the strike call of Ford workers tomorrow.

Mr Callaghan's address to the Labour conference is seen as having done much to overcome the damage to the "special relationship" between the TUC and the Cabinet. Mr Mostyn (Moss) Evans, general secretary of the TGWU, said it was an extremely good speech, disproving the pundits' view that the defeat of Labour's incomes policy at the hands of the trade union block votes had irreparably damaged Labour's election chances.

"The Prime Minister has made an offer to talk to the unions, and I have no doubt that my colleagues and I will be prepared to talk about the social problems facing the country", Mr Evans said.

"But though he has invited us to talk, it must be made clear that we as a union have a policy which, until it is reversed by the membership, will continue to be pursued. I do not believe we are in dispute with the Government when we are in dispute with Ford's and anybody else."

Union leaders listening to Mr Callaghan yesterday took in his warning that fiscal measures and monetary sanctions might be employed if union negotiators did not observe a measure of wage restraint.

Mr Ray Buckton, general secretary of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, interpreted the veiled threat as a warning of further cuts in public expenditure. The TGWU "took note" of the possibility of budgetary measures to recoup ground lost by wage inflation above the 5 per cent limit.

To Mr Joseph Gormley, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, Mr Callaghan's speech held out prospects. "If you look carefully at what he said, there was a lot of conciliation", he said. "Of course the trade union movement will be taking it up."

The issue of low pay will figure largely in the negotiations. With an offer due in response to a 60 per cent claim lodged by 1,100,000 council manual workers due on October 30, the unions are keen to discover what Mr Callaghan meant about the need to lift earnings of the lower paid without fresh wage inflation.

Mr Tom Jackson, the postmen's leader who is this year's chairman of the TUC, welcomed the Prime Minister's offer of talks.

"Neither side can seek the capitulation of the other", he said. "If we are to continue with stiff-necked obstinacy on both sides we can have the pleasure of destroying the Labour Party at the next election and in the process claim that we were doing what we thought was right.

"There is still time to avoid this, but only if there is flexibility and a willingness to compromise on both sides."

Forecast of 12½ per cent: Mr Evans last night predicted a 12½ per cent norm as the outcome of the Phase Four bargaining. "My little calculator works out that we are entitled to about 12½ per cent", he said on an independent television broadcast (the Press Asssociation reports).

He considered that to gain an improvement in living standards similar to that of German metal workers on an inflation rate of about 8 per cent, a pay increase of about 12¾ per cent was needed. "It might be more in some cases and less in others."

He saw a different scale of demands from, say, Ford compared with British Leyland and British Steel.

No money from Labour for European candidates

From David Wood
Blackpool

No money will be at call from Labour's central party funds to fight the European direct elections on June 7, Mr Norman Atkinson, left-wing treasurer of the party, told the conference yesterday.

It is a statement that needs more explanation than he offered to the conference. He said later that since the Labour Party and the unions were divided about elections to Europe, candidates would be selected who took views for and against Community membership. Some unions wanted to sponsor candidates, others did not.

The party's national executive committee, Mr Atkinson said, had to face the possibility that a general election in the United Kingdom and the European election would come simultaneously or at about the same time. There would then be difficulty, because the Labour Party was short of money and must put the general election first.

The "Roy Jenkins" type of candidate would have plenty of European money behind him for sponsorship, he said.

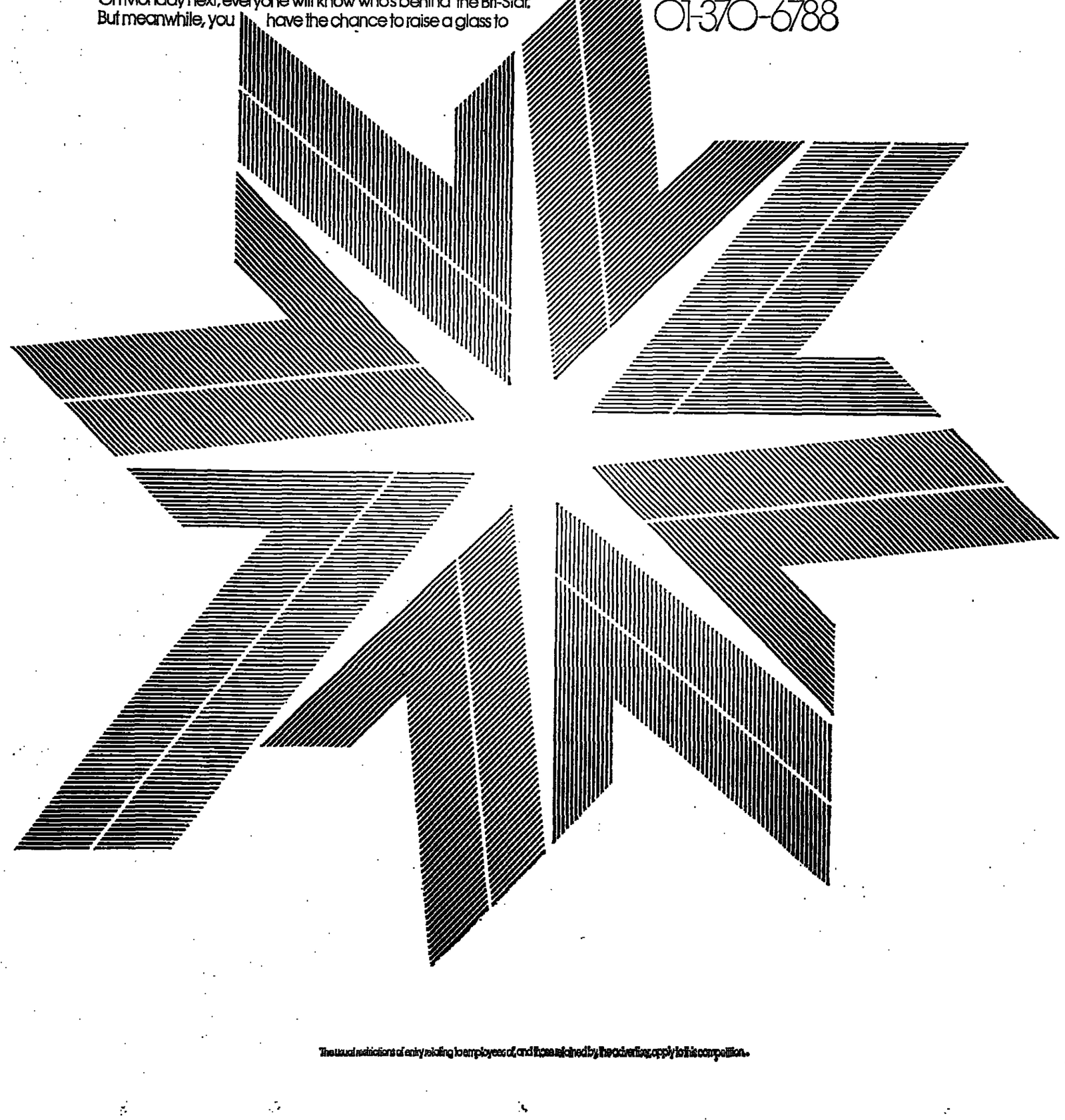
Mr Atkinson said there was a deficit on the party's general fund last year of £61,000, and this year's deficit might be £100,000. There was £330,000 in the general election campaign fund, but that was well short of the amount needed to fight the United Kingdom election.

The national Labour Party, he said, could not fund European candidates with the money it knew to be available. If the British election had not taken place by June, it would not tamper with the election fund.

Adding the European Parliament's 1979 budget to its 1978 allocations, Mr Atkinson said that a total of £1,250,000 was likely to be proposed for European candidature. The NEC had told unions who wanted to sponsor European candidates that "no money will be made available from central sources", that is, from Transport House.

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Curate who supplied cannabis to boys jailed for nine months

The behaviour of a former curate who smoked cannabis was criminal, not misguided, Judge Ward said at Southend Crown Court, Essex yesterday. He sentenced the Rev Richard Mayes to nine months in jail on eight drugs charges.

He told Mr Mayes, aged 30, of Beaufort Street, Chelsea, London: "There can be few parents of young people in this country who would not be apprehensive, if not downright angry, at any person who introduced their children to cannabis."



The Rev Richard Mayes: defended cannabis.

Mr Mayes on Monday admitted four charges of possessing cannabis and two of allowing his flat to be used for smoking the drug. He changed his plea to guilty yesterday on two charges of supplying the drug to boys from a Kent grammar school. Judge Ward directed that on a further two charges of supplying he should be acquitted because of insufficient evidence Before being sentenced, Mr Mayes said:

I am before the court accused of corruption, of introducing young people to destruction and drug addiction, but I would say I have done nothing harmful at all. I accept full responsibility for all my actions.

I regarded it as my duty and privilege to be with the young people and teach them what I could. I believe all my actions to be for the good of the community and I very much regret that all my life can be interpreted as corrupting young people.

I first smoked cannabis at the age of 16 in similar circumstances as the punk rockers I am charged with supplying, and it has not done me any harm. Cannabis is indigenous to this country now and is here to stay.

He was stopped by Judge Ward as he was about to talk about cannabis and the state of the law.

Judge Ward said: "One does not move on to hard drugs from alcohol or smoking tobacco. There is a risk of corruption. It might be felt by some who have seen and heard you that you, yourself, have exhibited some symptoms of the habitual drug-taker.

"Were it not for the likes of you, who give encouragement to those concerned with the importing into this country of dangerous drugs by the underworld, and giving house room to those who are prepared to give them further encouragement, society would be rid of a great deal of drug-taking."

Earlier the Bishop of Chelmsford, the Right Rev John Trillo, told the judge that he had had highly satisfactory reports of Mr Mayes's parish work.

"I formed a high opinion of him", he said "of his integrity and his willingness to work hard and his sensitivity to the needs of other people arising out of tragedies in his own life".

Mr Mayes would be liable to be disqualified from the priesthood, he said

Mr Mayes said in an alleged statement to the police that the illegality of cannabis could force children to harbour drugs, especially when the supply of cannabis was short because of police action. He said he would continue to smoke the drug.

Aspects of oil, 2: The Offshore Training Centre changes its emphasis to fire fighting

Creating a wealth of experience to work in the North Sea

By Dan van der Vat

After a modest and precarious start in 1975, the Offshore Training Centre at Montrose, Tayside, is now uniquely placed to provide a vital support service for Britain's North Sea energy industry.

The centre was originally sited at Livingston, central Scotland, a less ideal location adopted as a temporary solution to an urgent need. It was a demonstration of serious intent by the Petroleum Industry Training Board, set up by the oil companies to run the centre.

Its purpose at first was to train British workers in the techniques of drilling for oil at sea, an area which American skill and experience overwhelmingly predominate.

In the 21 months at Livingston, 485 men were trained for 52 companies. The centre is particularly proud of the fact that some of its earliest "graduates" helped to make a success of the great Forties oil field.

Having lived from hand to mouth financially through 1976, the centre was promised rather more substantial support. After 26 sites were examined it moved to a 16½-acre field on an industrial estate outside Montrose 18 months ago, with a £1m capital budget.

An elderly but still functioning drilling rig was set up in the flat meadow and a 3,000ft hole was drilled for training purposes in nine days. New buildings for administration and classroom training went up, and so did a legless reproduction of an oil platform use for fire training.

That facility reflects a change in the nature of the centre, which initially concentrated in drilling training and then expanded into production courses.

While it is still very much engaged in those, its new role in training rig and platform crews in fire fighting is tending to overshadow the rest and it now seems to be the oil companies' main focus of interest in the centre.

The first fire fighting course began in mid-January, and by the end of August 850 men had gone through the four-day basic training for North Sea crews. The centre has a capacity for 2,000 such students a year.

The active interest of Britain's relatively long-established offshore gas industry in taking a stake in the centre for its own fire-training programme is likely to increase that emphasis.

It will also increase financial support as well as strengthening the centre's unspoken claim to be unique in the world, and able to offer expertise and equipment in the event of an offshore fire disaster.

So far there has been only one disaster directly connected with the extraction of oil and gas from under the North Sea, the blowout in the Norwegian Ekofisk field about 18 months ago. Many stable doors have been shut since.

Many people concerned with North Sea oil and gas are showing increasing interest in the adage that prevention is better than cure in considering the implications of a big fire at sea.

The pessimists among them believe that a disaster of that kind is necessary to persuade industry and government to take seriously the risk of such a catastrophe. The optimists tend to think that the proper level of preparedness could become a natural by-product of Montrose.

The centre's staff of 30 give advanced as well as basic courses in drilling, production and fire fighting and would be only too glad to move into the highest reaches of oil technology if salaries nearer the awesome levels paid to experts working at sea could be offered.

The Manpower Services Commission, the trade unions, the Government and Norway are increasingly interested in how the centre is developing and how it will grow, as it is bound to do at a pace no less impressive than that of the industry it was created to serve.

It already offers training facilities that even oil companies with all their resources are not likely to match individually. Course-completion certificates enjoy wide recognition in the industry and there are growing queues of would-be students.

The Offshore Training Centre has identified two areas of future need that it could be called upon to alleviate: a scheme for training apprentices and an urgent requirement for large numbers of technicians to service the instruments that control oil production.

Either would entail an enormous expansion, but given what has already happened at Montrose, anything is possible.

Next: Effect on Scotland's infrastructure

Exam system not good for Ulster, report says

More than a quarter of children leave school in Northern Ireland without any success in public examinations, according to an independent report published yesterday. It says that there is too wide a gulf in education between the most successful and the least, a failure of communication between school and industry, and that the examination system is unsatisfactory.

The report, by a working party set up last year by Lord Melchett, Minister of State for Northern Ireland, says that the social and economic difficulties of the province justify special treatment and special measures but that palliatives are not enough.

Imaginative schemes for education and training could do good at relatively little cost, it says, but they must be based on a radical review of policies and planning procedures.

The working party, of seven members from industry and teaching, which inquired into the educational, vocational and social needs and aspirations of those approaching school-leaving age and in the years immediately following, made 112 recommendations.

Mr Derek Birley, Rector of Ulster Polytechnic, its chairman, says in a foreword: "First and foremost we want to see more done for the young people who are at the bottom half of the social and educational pile.

The report says that far too many leave secondary school without tangible achievement. "Some 28 per cent leave at 15 or over without GCE or CSE qualifications. Nobody knows how many leave without a job to go to."

Contrary to the original intention, GCE O level has become a leaving certificate despite its academic orientation and single subject basis. There should be a new assessment, including a grouped subject leaving certificate.

More attention should be given, it says, to those not destined for higher education and in particular to those who benefit least at present.

The report calls for an educational council, representative of all sectors, to debate policy and to initiate informed planning. Secondary schools should have academic boards which would report to governing bodies more representative of the outside world and better able to link with the community.

Short-term programmes for school leavers are described as stop-gap measures. All young people should have the opportunity to study or to undergo supervised work experience until the age of 18, and there should be an obligation on employers of 16-18-year-olds to offer day-release for specialist training or general education.

Opportunities at Sixteen (Stationery Office, Belfast, £4).

Peak District power station plan opposed

From John Chartres
Manchester

A scheme to build a pumped-storage hydro-electric power station in the Pennines is being opposed by the Peak District National Park authority.

The Central Electricity Generating Board has announced that it intends to carry out "environmental studies" into the possibility of using a site near Tintwistle, Derbyshire, for the third in its series of pumped-storage stations, which constitute the only proven method of husbanding electric power between the peaks and troughs of public demand.

Power stations of that type, which operate by pumping large quantities of water up a mountainside during the night and allowing the water to pour down through hydraulic turbines during the day, have been operating successfully in many parts of the world, including North Wales, for several years.

One is in an advanced stage of construction alongside the old Dinorwic slate quarries, near Llanberis, North Wales.

Although early objections to the first Welsh scheme at Ffestiniog, which has been operating for 15 years, and to the much larger Dinorwic scheme have now become muted—indeed both sites have become popular tourist attractions—the Peak Park Joint Planning Board issued a statement yesterday saying that the chairman of its planning control committee believed the site in the Longdendale Valley would be "incompatible with national park aims".

The statement said that the chairman of the committee, Professor J. N. Tarn, felt the proposal would be "opposed in principle" when the committee meets on Friday.

Mr Leonard Nash, the CEGB northern stations planning engineer, emphasized in Manchester yesterday that so far there were no firm plans even to carry out detailed site investigations, and certainly no commitment to build the station. The only intention was to study the possible environmental effects.

Another pumped-storage "battery" station would, however, be needed in Britain by 1990 to cope with expected demand, particularly from the Greater Manchester industrial area, and to smooth out the peaks and troughs of demand to enable the low-cost nuclear power stations to operate efficiently.

The Tintwistle site had special advantages in that there were reservoirs in the bottom of the Longdendale Valley, with high ground, rising to 1,000ft or more, immediately to the north, on which an upper lake could be built.

There was a system of 400,000-volt power lines running through the valley, and the "major load centre" of Greater Manchester was only 15 miles to the west.

The probable siting of the 120-acre upper lake (which under pumped-storage principles would be filled to the brim at night and drained during the day), would be on a "wilderness" of peat moor in the region of Robinson's Moss, an area usually visited only by determined rough-shooting enthusiasts.

As in the Dinorwic scheme, there would be a "tidal range" of about 40ft in the bottom lake, which would probably be created by linking the Vale House and Rosewood water storage reservoirs and raising their levels, with the probable loss of one farm building.

All the water channels and the turbine house would be underground, as at Dinorwic, but Mr Nash agreed that there would be a certain amount of "environmental disturbance"—or mess from earthworks and the movement of heavy plant—during the five to six years constructional period.

Difficulties of villagers under study

By Christopher Warman

The Association of County Councils is to study village life in response to concern at its decline.

Its officers are to look at the difficulties villagers face, including poor housing, lack of jobs, low pay and poor public transport, and to report in November with recommendations.

Mr Gervas Walker, chairman of the policy committee, said yesterday that the aim was to preserve the unique atmosphere of villages and small towns, but to ensure that residents enjoyed the living standard of townspeople.

He said that most of the shire counties had to provide services in towns, but were also responsible for a widely scattered population.

An added complication was the increasing population, particularly of old people. In Suffolk, for example, the county council expected the number of people over 75 to increase by nearly a quarter by 1986.

Mr Walker, who is chairman of Avon County Council, argued that services in rural areas had been affected by the reduction of the Government's rate-support grant to county councils in favour of London and the large cities.

In August a survey by the Standing Conference of Rural Community Councils showed the extent of decline in the South-west. Later this month the results of an investigation into rural deprivation are to be published by Hereford and Worcester County Council.

Mixed feelings at historic city's ban on vehicles

From John Young
Planning Reporter
Chichester

Chichester is a gem among British cities, compact, comfortable and not yet wholly ruined by tourists. It is a place where, ideally, residents and visitors should be able to roam the narrow Georgian streets untroubled by the noise, bulk and fumes of contemporary heavy traffic.

In a well meaning attempt to provide such relief, West Sussex County Council will, in the next few weeks, begin the final stage of what has proved one of the most contentious traffic-free precincts in Britain. With the financial support of the city council, contractors will pave over the greater part of the four historic streets that converge on the famous Cross, close to the cathedral.

Objectors, notably the Chichester Society, have persistently maintained that the scheme, so far from being an environmental blessing, is a disaster. Delivery vehicles, no longer able to use the main streets, have been diverted through the narrow residential lanes of the four segments known as the Quadrants.

Residents can demonstrate that buildings and pavements have been damaged, and claim that eighteenth-century foundations are threatened by vibration.

Local people also point to the ugly, instrusive delivery yards built behind several shops and to the "traffic circulatory systems" at the gates of the city walls which, they say, infuriate local motorists and bemuse tourists.

"The fact that the charm of Chichester lies in its back streets has been ignored by planners", Canon Keith Walker, the society's chairman, says.

Mr William Harrison, the county surveyor, concedes that it has been difficult to strike the right balance. When the decision to create the precinct was taken some ten years ago, vehicles were generally much smaller than they are today. The council's roads and transportation committee recently reported that it might be necessary to restrict the size of lorries using the Quadrants.

But both Mr Harrison and Mr Kenneth Watson, the city planning officer, insist that the scheme is a success and that surveys have shown the public to be overwhelmingly in favour. "Quite honestly, I cannot see Chichester working without pedestrianization", Mr Watson says.

Front member resigns after papal address

From Our Correspondent
Bristol

A National Front leader in Bristol resigned yesterday because of an address by the late Pope, John Paul. Mr Philip Gannaway, chairman of the local party, said he had been profoundly moved by the Pope's last Vatican address, which he heard two weeks ago while on holiday in Rome.

"It was then I decided to resign", Mr Gannaway said. "There was something about the Pope of tremendous warmth and sincerity which touched me.

"I realized demonstrations do not achieve anything. Violence is generated by the presence of the National Front and in Bristol we have had to hold secret meetings to avoid demonstrations. Unless the party changes its attitude it will end up as a travelling circus."

Mr Gannaway, aged 57, a plumber with Bristol City Council, has been a member of the National Front for 10 years and chairman of Bristol National Front for three. He has also resigned as the Front's prospective parliamentary candidate for Bath.

His twin brother, Gerald, has also resigned, but for different reasons.

"I want more time to concentrate on my business interests. I have always followed Philip politically and am very disappointed he resigned", he said.

Mr Gerald Gannaway, a taxi owner, was election officer for the party in the South-west and prospective candidate for the Kingswood seat in Bristol.

Inquiry urged into Welsh school standards

From Tim Jones
Cardiff

The Conservative Opposition called yesterday for an inquiry into the standard of education in Welsh schools after the publication of figures that showed that more than a quarter of school-leavers enter adult life without qualifications.

Unlike Northern Ireland where figures are slightly worse, Wales has no sectarian strife to explain its disturbingly academic performances, which lag more than 10 per cent behind the achievements of children in England.

Figures published by the Welsh Office show that for the academic year 1976-77, 26.7 per cent of Welsh children left school after 11 years of full-time education without a single examination success. Of these, 23.9 per cent did not attempt to gain a qualification. More than a quarter of those who remained gained passes at D or E grade in O level examinations or CSE grades 2 to 5.

Mr Wyn Roberts, a Conservative spokesman on education, said last night: "We have been concerned for a long time about examination results in Wales compared with England. Clearly this gap has widened since last year despite the Government's awareness of the facts.

It must be said that there is no evidence that this gap is in any way related to bi-lingual teaching, since the situation in Gwent (where Welsh is hardly taught) is as bad as anywhere else in Wales."

Mr Barry Jones, Under Secretary of State at the Welsh Office, is engaged in discussions with Welsh education authorities to overcome the difficulties.

Actors protest at cancelled theatre grants

By Our Arts Reporter

A deputation of actors representing some of London's fringe theatre groups handed in a petition to the Greater London Council yesterday expressing concern at what they say is the council's lack of a coherent policy on the arts. They were complaining particularly about the cancellation of grants this year to the Royal Court, Open Space and Bubble theatres.

The petition was organized by the proposed London branches of Equity.

Mr Frederick Weyer, chairman of the GLC arts committee, which will consider the petition on October 25, said it might be possible to make more money available next year.

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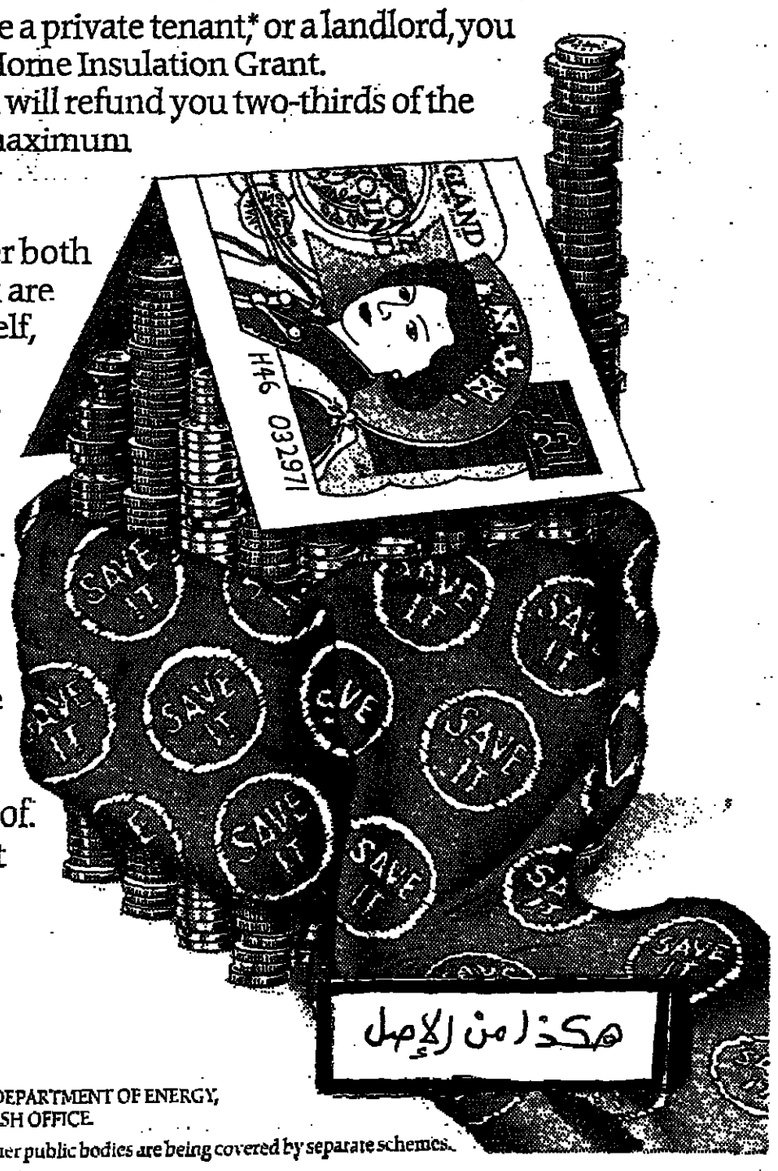
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To qualify for grant you must get prior approval from your local council. So before you do anything, contact your local council office and ask for a Home Insulation Grant booklet and application form. Study them carefully, because for example, the grant does not apply if you already have some loft insulation or you have only a flat roof.

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Danish plan for tough measures on incomes

From Christopher Follett
Copenhagen, Oct 3

Mr Anker Joergensen, the Danish Prime Minister, opened a new session of the Folketing (parliament) today outlining the legislative programme of his Social Democrat-Liberal coalition Government. The programme comprises 150 Bills including measures designed to curb Denmark's 9 per cent unemployment and 10 per cent inflation rates.

The package includes price and pay controls, tax and pension reforms, and increased taxation on consumption and unearned income.

Industry is to receive low interest loans for exports and modernization. Depressed Danish shipyards can expect increased government orders.

Unemployment is to be eased through creating an estimated 40,000 jobs, streamlining labour exchanges and through retraining jobless workers.

A Bill reducing public spending is to be presented to Parliament this week.

The Government has again postponed decisions on the building of a great belt bridge between the islands of Funen and Zeeland, and a new airport for Copenhagen. The introduction of atomic energy for a further two years pending the results of an investigation into the vexed problem of nuclear waste storage.

The Government has, however, given the green light to the building of a new national theatre in Copenhagen, certain educational reforms, and a form of devolution for Greenland by next spring.

The Government intends to allocate 0.7 per cent of its gross national product to foreign development aid next year, making it only the third country in the world to conform to the 1 per cent quota recommended by the United Nations.

The opening session was chaired by the new Speaker, Mr K. B. Andersen, who is 64, and a Social Democrat. His candidacy for the post was unopposed. He was three times Foreign Minister, retiring from that post this summer.

Mass worker demonstrations against the new Government were held outside Parliament.

Thousands strike: Thousands of workers downed tools and joined protest demonstrations today against the Joergensen's Government.

More than 10,000 workers converged on Folketing Square denouncing the alliance of the Social-Democrats with the Liberals. Strikes halted virtually all ferry traffic and upset mail distribution in Copenhagen.

These were further manifestations of a deepening split between the Prime Minister and the National Confederation of Trade Unions.—AP.

Early election likely in Portugal as parties continue to wrangle

From Jose Shercliff
Lisbon, Oct 3

The Portuguese Parliament's approval of a new electoral law yesterday has cleared the way for an early general election. The possibility of advancing the polling date, in view of the government crisis, appears to be growing more possible as the political parties fail to come to any understanding.

After allowing the parties a week for reflection, President Ramalho Eanes is once more trying to bring the Socialists, Communists, Social-Democrats and Christian Democrats together to form some kind of stable majority government. Today the President began a new round of talks with party leaders, receiving delegations of the Communist and Centrist (Christian Democratic) Parties.

The Communists have been, at any rate outwardly, the most reasonable of the four main parliamentary parties throughout this period of caretaker governments. They have offered to help untangle the situation, and shown willingness to take part in government. They have also suggested bilateral meetings to the other parties.

The Centrists, however, have refused the invitation to bilateral talks. Having broken the mutual pact by which they shared rule with the Socialists in the second constitutional Government of Dr Mario Soares, they now hope for a government based on agreement between their party, the Socialists, and the Social Democrats.

The Social Democrats have also refused the Communist invitation to talks.

Meanwhile, as the parties continue to wrangle and President Eanes continues to try to make peace, Senhor Alfredo Nobre da Costa, the non-political Prime Minister, whose technocrat Government was voted out of power by Parliament last month, still carries on with his ministers in an administrative capacity.

Parliament's approval of the electoral law was carried by a left-wing majority of the Socialists and Communists with the single deputy of the Popular Democratic Union and four left-wing independents. It was sharply criticized by the Social Democrats and Christian Democrats as "not serving the national interests". A joint proposal of these two parties to make voting compulsory, with penalties for abstaining, was rejected.

The 171-clause law will reduce the number of deputies from 263 to 246. It maintains the present metropolitan constituencies, the archipelagoes of Madeira and the Azores each forming a constituency, and Portuguese residents abroad (including one and a half million emigrant workers) composing two more. One of these is for residents of Europe, the second for other parts of the world including Macao on the China coast, Portugal's last remaining overseas territory.

The decree creates a national elections committee to work within the framework of the Assembly. This will control electoral procedure, the new census and other electoral activities.

Fire death woman was deported from Britain

From Alan McGregor
Geneva, Oct 3

An Australian passport in the name of Lynette Sandra Philipps, aged 24, was among possessions carried by a young woman who burned herself to death last night directly outside the main entrance of the United Nations building here, the Palais des Nations.

Formal identification of the charred corpse was awaiting the outcome of dental checks with the Australian authorities, the woman's family has been advised.

An Australian woman of this name was deported from Britain recently after threatening to immolate herself in front of the Houses of Parliament.

Swiss newspapers today carried photos of the woman sitting cross-legged, hands on knees in a yoga position in the middle of intense flames.

A short time before she had telephoned news agency offices in the Palais asking them to send photographers as something would shortly be happening in the Palais des Nations. It would be "spectacular", she said.

She set out her boots neatly on the grass with a handbag beside them and apparently first poured petrol over herself.

Placards of heavy paper laid out beside her possessions read: "Prouts Universal—Prout (progressive utilization theory) . . . a flaming torch in the dark night of exploitation . . . UNO holds the lives of billions but



Lynette Philipps: Asked for photographer.

delegates prefer luxurious lives to their human responsibilities . . . *Baba Nam Kevalam*" (The word of the Father is truth). There was also a reverse swastika, an Indian mystical sign.

Today a bouquet of flowers was left on the burnt patch of grass. In the early evening a man wearing a long overcoat was seen to come off a bus and lay a wreath at the spot. He stood for a moment before leaving.

Sydney: Mrs Millie Philipps, an Australian mining millionairess, said she had made a desperate telephone search for her daughter in the 24 hours before Lynette's self-immolation.

She and her divorced husband telephoned Australian consular officials and friends in six European countries and had tried to stop Lynette from committing suicide.

Her daughter had joined the Ananda Marga sect here about five years ago.—Agence France-Presse.

French unions step up anti-Barre protests

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Oct 3

The French rail strike, due to end tomorrow, which has caused widespread disruption and subsequent inconvenience to thousands of weekend travellers, is one of several union demonstrations of displeasure at the national austerity programme of M Raymond Barre, the Prime Minister.

Despite the pleasant October sunshine, Frenchmen feel frustrated and insecure, with the added troubles of no mail deliveries and a 10 per cent rise in bread prices.

Before the summer holidays and during September, the unions threatened action against the programme, which limits wage increases and has, in the union's eyes, failed to tackle unemployment and inflation efficiently.

The railway workers were among the first to take action, thus reducing the number of trains to a skeleton service of 30 to 40 per cent on most lines.

The strike has upset many a Frenchman's weekend plans or forced him to wait for hours on crowded station platforms.

Long-distance trains were less affected. Yet a group of some 4,000 French handicapped pilgrims to Lourdes had to cut short trip as their special trains back to Nancy could not be guaranteed by the railway officials.

The strike was in protest against working conditions, redundancies due to more automation on trains and closing of certain lines.

The postal strike, which today mainly affected Paris, was called by the postal unions as a protest against "unsafe conditions". One postman, M. Georges Albert, was shot dead last week on his round during a holdup and his funeral today set off the strike.

French parents, too, are worried about the education system, the often decrepit buildings and the lack of teachers and proper supervision

Social unrest, current strikes and threats of future ones have caused RPR Gaullists to launch a solemn warning to the Government concerning its policy, urging M Barre to find a *modus vivendi*.

Atom power pact signed

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Oct 3

France and the Soviet Union today signed a protocol providing cooperation in matters of atomic energy and space research.

Mr Andronnik Petrossiantz, president of the Soviet State Committee for the Use of Atomic Energy, told a press conference that the Soviet Union had completed a new procedure of enriching uranium and would be willing to enrich uranium for French nuclear centres.

Mr Petrossiantz came to Paris for the thirteenth session of the Franco-Soviet Commission for Economic Cooperation which was held yesterday and today.

Pope's burial place is decided

From Peter Nichols
Rome, Oct 3

The burial place in the Vatican crypt for Pope John Paul I was decided today while work was planned to begin tomorrow on closing the area of the conclave for the election of his successor.

The funeral takes place tomorrow and will be held on the steps of St Peter's

The Vatican would like to give the Pope a funeral like that of his immediate predecessor, particularly because of the extraordinary number of people who have defied the weather in order to pay their repects. He will be buried near the tombs of John XXIII and Paul VI whose names he took, and opposite Marcellus II who ruled for three weeks in 1555, a few days shorter than John Paul himself. His sarcophagus will simply bear the inscription: "Joannes Paulus P.P. Primo".

The General Congregation of Cardinals decided today on who should preside at the series of masses for Pope John Paul which follow the funeral. Thursday will see a concelebration led by Cardinal Siri, the Archbishop of Genoa, who is said to have had more votes than any other cardinal at the last conclave after John Paul himself.

Inquiry demanded: A conservative Catholic group today demanded an investigation into the "true causes" of Pope John Paul's death.—UPI.

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Floods and snow hit Italy

Milan, Oct 3.—Snow blanketed the Italian Alps and the Apennine mountains and heavy rainfall lashed all of Italy today in a sudden early wave of wintry weather. Floods in Rome trapped 30 people.

Several Alpine passes were closed or only passable with chains after snowfalls of up to 24in over the past 24 hours.

A whole quarter of Trapani, in Sicily, was inundated, while high tides flooded St Mark's Square and other low-lying areas in Venice for the first time this season.

In Rome firemen using amphibious vehicles rescued at least 30 people trapped in cars and buildings when large areas of the city were flooded after three days of torrential rain.—AP and Reuter.

x arrested in ilan face ms charges

Milan, Oct 3.—The six suspected Red Brigades guerrillas captured in a series of raids here over the past two days will be charged with illegal possession of arms, although further charges might follow after further investigations.

Besides the six, all of whom were on police wanted lists, seven other men and a woman were held. They had not previously been sought.

Police imposed a tight security blackout on the operation. They were known to be jubilant at its success. The nine arrests were the biggest single haul since anti-terrorist operations began in the early 1970s.

One of the suspects, Antonio Savino, aged 29, was wounded in a gun battle with police before his arrest on Sunday. Signor Ferdinando Pomarici, a public prosecutor, said the trials would begin as soon as Signor Savino was fit to appear in court.—Reuter.

Naval chief is assassinated at Bilbao home

Bilbao, Oct 3.—Masked gunmen tonight shot dead the deputy commander of the Bilbao Navy base as he answered a knock at the door of his home, police said.

Police suspect members of the Basque militant separatist group ETA, who claimed responsibility for murdering Army General Sanchez Ramos and an aide in Madrid last July.

Lieutenant Commander Francisco de Asiz Diaz Amorote was machine gunned in the head by four hooded men as he answered the door, the police said.—Reuter and AP.

Nine die in bar battle

Marseilles, Oct 3.—A gun battle between rival gangs left nine people dead and several others injured in a bar here late today.

No evidence in Benidorm f Legionnaires' disease

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, Oct 3

A leading Spanish public health official, working closely with British doctors in connection with a recent case of Legionnaires' disease, told *The Times* here today that there is no positive evidence of incidence of the disease in Benidorm or anywhere else in Spain.

Referring to the case of a man who was taken ill in Cardiff on September 12 last, three days after returning from a one-week holiday in the coastal resort of Benidorm, Dr Gerardo Clavero, Spain's Subdirector General of Preventive Medicine, said that investigators were carrying out extensive studies at the hotel where the man stayed in Benidorm, and making detailed medical examinations of the staff.

Dr Clavero pointed out that all the British cases so far, who had visited Spain just prior to becoming ill, had travelled on a Thomson's tour and stayed at the same hotel in Benidorm, the Rio Park. While the hotel was being investigated, researchers also felt it would be useful to trace the entire chain of circumstances leading up to the moment of illness, he added.

Dr Clavero said that the disease mostly affected middle-aged people who abruptly changed their normal routine of living, such as holidaymakers coming to the Mediterranean for a holiday and, frequently, unaccustomed excesses of food and drink.

oliday death Briton jailed

Rimini, Oct 3.—A British holidaymaker was sentenced to three years and one month in jail today for causing the death of a young bride, who was impaled on railings after falling from a ninth floor balcony.

Derek William Alderton, 24, a postal worker from Newcastle upon Tyne received a much higher sentence than had been expected. The prosecution had asked for a 23-month term, which would have allowed the sentence to be suspended and for Alderton to return home. Under terms under two years would not have to be served in jail under Italian law.

Mr Alderton was convicted of breaking into a domicile, the possession of a knife and other offensive weapons and, as a result of these crimes, of causing the death of 22-year-old Sylvia Palmer, from Northern Ireland.

He was also fined 50,000 lire.

Mrs Palmer fell to her death after a row in a holiday apartment block between two Ulster couples and a group of Newcastle men. Mr Alderton told the court the argument began after he mistook the Palmers' room for that of a friend and thought they had broken in.

The court was told the two couples tried to escape over the balcony to safety in another apartment. Mrs Palmer slipped and fell to her death.—Reuter.

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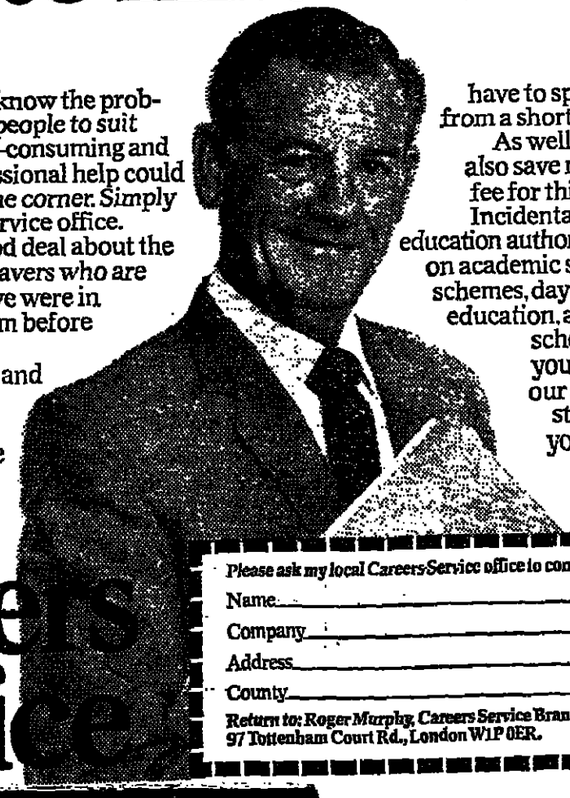
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OVERSEAS

Dense smoke blacks out Beirut battle zone as oil depot explodes under Syrian shellfire

Beirut, Oct 3.—Syrian troops and Christian militia forces were locked today in a big battle in east Beirut and towns and villages in the surrounding hills. Heavy explosions rocked the Christian eastern part of the city as both sides used artillery.

At one point an enormous explosion sent a huge mushroom cloud of dense black smoke more than 1,000ft into the air, obscuring the battle zones. The right-wing Phlangist radio said that a big oil depot which supplies the city had taken several direct hits.

The radio also said that 20 shells had hit the coastal town of Jounieh, an important rightist stronghold, 12 miles north of Beirut.

As the fighting intensified Mr Pierre Gemayel, the rightist leader, urged President Sarkis to appeal to the United Nations for hel in ending the savage conflict.

Electric power was knocked out throughout the city and telephones were not operating. The Beirut water department said that its main installation had been severely damaged by shellfire, threatening the water supply.

Residents in east Beirut said that hositals had been badly hit and could no longer cope with the mounting casualties. In one hospital patients and medical staff were sheltering in a basement.

A Christian militia spokesman reported fierce fighting for control of a strategic bridge. He said that about 30 Syrian tanks were attacking militia concentrations around the bridge carrying the main road north out of the city.

One tank had been destroyed but the Syrians had reinforced their positions in the hills overlooking the area with two artillery battalions.

"We had decided to take the bridge, but the Syrians began firing before we were given the order to attack," he added.

The resumed fighting coincided with increasing criticism from political leaders of President Sarkis's decisions to replace his Government of technocrats with politicians, and to carry out a new security plan.

His plans were widely rejected by both right-wing leaders and their adversaries on the left.

The President's decisions took most people by surprise, including apparently Dr Selim al-Hoss, the Prime Minister. He indicated reluctance to resign today saying that a power vacuum could be created with unpredictable results.

"We have declared on more than one occasion that we are always prepared to leave if it is established that it is possible for a new government to come into being", he said.

"But we shall not shirk responsibility if we find that its departure would create a vacuum or a government impasse with unpredictable results."

Mr Camille Chamoun, who heads a right-wing alliance, called on Mr Sarkis to resign.

Mr Saeb Salam, a conservative Muslim leader, said that the President had "tried that experiment several months ago and succeeded only in blocking a parliamentary initiative and escalatin gthe crisis for over a months. Why try again, and increase the country's chaos?"—Reuter.

New York: The United Nations is considering evacuating the dependants of its staff working in and around Beirut, a spokesman said today.—Reuter.

Paris: France plans to work for a ceasefire in Lebanon while it holds the chairmanship of the United Nations Security Council this month, French sources said here today.—Agence France-Presse.

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'Vindictive' Dr Owen blamed over Smith visa

From Frederick Cleary
Salisbury, Oct 3

Mr Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, today accused Dr David Owen, the Foreign Secretary, and Mr Andrew Young, the United States representative at the United Nations, of preventing himself and his Executive Council colleagues from being granted visas to visit the United States.

"Mr Young said that to grant visas would be a denial of human rights", Mr Smith said. "This comment from a senior representative of the greatest democracy and foremost upholder of human rights must surely be unparalaléled as an example of the twisting of the accepted meaning of words."

In a statement, Mr Smith said he had no doubt that Dr Owen had exerted considerable pressure on the State Department. "His one-sided approach to the Rhodesian question and his vindictiveness towards us are too well known to need further comment."

Speaking for the first time since the visa application was put in "cold storage" by the State Department, the Rhodesian Prime Minister said that by denying visas to the Executive Council of the transitional government the State Department was clearly determied to prevent senators and congressmen, and ideed the American public, from hearing "our side of the story."

He said the guerrilla leaders, Mr Joshua Nkomo and Mr Robert Mugabe, who had the full backing of Russia and who openly and repeatedly proclaimed their intention of seizing power in Rhodesia through the barrel of a gun were welcomed by the State Department.

"Already this year they have murdered close on 1,000 black civilians and brutally assaulted an even larger number in their attempt to dominate through fear," Mr Smith continued. "From time to time they commit atrocities of unspeakable bestiality, such as rape and massacre of the Elim missionaries and the shooting down of a civilian airliner and the slaughter of the dazed survivors. Yet they come and go as they please in the United States and no doors are barred to them."

Mr Smith added: "But we, the four leaders of the transitional government who between us command the overwhelming support of black and white Rhodesians, we who have entered a solemn agreement to achieve a peaceful transition to black majority rule through democratic elections on the basis of universal suffrage, are prevented by the State Department from accepting the invitation of senators and congressmen and the American media to put the facs before them."

Mr Botha keeps door open on Namibia

From Our Own Correspondent
Johannesburg, Oct 3

The South African Cabinet met in Pretoria today for the first time under Mr Pieter Botha, the new Prime Minister, and decided to keep the door ajar on Namibia (South-West Rfrica) for a little longer.

A brieg and somewhat ambiguously-worded statement after today's meeting said that South Africa's decision to go ahead with elections in the tritory in December without United Nations supervision had nor closed the door so far as further negotiations were concerned.

South Africa's response to last week's report by Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, of his proposals for the territory's independence will be conveyed to the five Western members of the Security Council shortly.

Western diplomatic sources expressed some relief that, despite Mr Botha's known hawkishness on the issue, the Cabinet had not ruled out further talks. There is now a strong likelihood that the five Western foreign ministers will visit Pretoria shortly in a last ditch effort to persuade South Africa before the October 23 Security Council debote on Namibia not to go ahead with elections.

It is clear that the South African Government has been influenced by Dr Waldheim's explanatory statement, which was designed to soften Pretoria's objections to four points in the plan.

However, the Government is coming under intense pressure from the pro-South Africa Democratic Turnhalle Alliance Party in Namibia to go ahead with the December poll, Mr Dirk Mudge, the chairman, said today his party would be prepared to enter new talks with the West only after the elections.

His party and the small white Aktur party are the only two political groups likely to take part in the elections. The South-West Africa People's Organization (Swapo) and the Namibian National Front have refused to take part.

Crossroads dispute: A new dispute seems to be looming between Transkei and South Africa over plans to resettle squatters from the Crossroads camp outside Cape Town on land shortly due to be incorporated into Transkei.

Chief Kaiser Matanzima, the Transkei Prime Minister, said today that his Government would refuse to allow the South Africans to create yet another Crossroads squatter camp on the Bolotwa-Gwatyu farms near Queenstown. He said the area was due to be incorporated into Transkei as a result of negotiations which began before the Xhosa-speaking "homeland" gained its independence

Court clears police over African's death fall

From Nicholas Ashford
Johannesburg, Oct 3

A Port Elizabeth magistrate today ruled that no one was to blame for the death of Lungile Tabalaza, a 19-year-old African who died last July after falling from the fifth floor of the Port Elizabeth security police headquarters.

At the end of a 10-day inquest Mr J. A. Coetzee, the deputy chief magistrate of Port Elizabeth, ruled that Mr Tabalaza died of multiple injuries and there was "no act or omission amounting to a criminal offence by any other person".

Mr Tabalaza was the fourth third person to have died while being held in police custody since 1963. His death caused an international outcry as it followed only nine months after the death of Steve Biko, the Black Consciousness leader, who had been interrogated in the same building. Three security policemen were transferred from Port Elizabeth after Mr Tabalaza's fall.

Dr W. E. Cooper, on behalf of Mr Tabalaza's family, has argued that Mr Tabalaza had leapt from the fifth floor window as a direct result of what had occurred between him and two of the policemen, Sergeant Philip Nel and Major Phillip de Jongh, on July 10.

Exactly what happened might never be known, but Dr Cooper had told the inquest that the two policemen were both morally and criminally responsible for Mr Tabalaza's death.

However the magistrate ruled that it was impossible to decide why Mr Tabalaza had jumped. The various theories put forward during the inquest were mere speculation.

The evidence that the police had not threatened or assaulted him was not refuted, he said. He accepted the medical evidence that there was no sign of an assault prior to death.

The magistrate did not agree with Dr Cooper that the evidence of Sergeant Nel and Major de Jongh should be rejected. He found that both policemen gave their evidence honestly even when, in the case of Major de Jongh, it was to his own disadvantage.

During cross-examination Major de Jongh admitted that he had not told Sergeant Nel about new regulations concerning the interrogation of suspects only in secured offices.

The court ruled that neither Sergeant Nel nor Major de Jongh could have foreseen that Mr Tabalaza would jump out of the window within seconds of being out of their sight. It was not the function of the court, Mr Coetzee added, to decide on their disregard of departmental instructions about secured offices.

The magistrate did not accept the evidence of another named black youth who was arrested at the same time as Mr Tabalaza. The young man's allegations about threats and assaults, heard for the first time at the inquest, were false.

French woman scientist convinced that reports of forest hominoids in Kenya are not fabricated

Expedition to seek 'manlike creatures'

From Charles Harrison
Nairobi, Oct 3

A French woman sociologist, Mme Jacqueline Roumeguère Eberhardt, said here yesterday that she had evidence of encounters with a number of manlike creatures living in thick forests in different parts of Kenya which could not be explained by known anthropological information.

Describing the creatures as "X", she said she had interviewed Kenyans who were involved in 33 encounters with them and she was satisfied the reports of these encounters had not been fabricated.

She would not reveal details of the locations involved because further research was needed. "I hope to lead an expedition to meet 'X' and to satisfy myself as to the scientific validity of the encounters I have already investigated", she added.

Mme Eberhardt's announcement, made to a press conference here, was received with scepticism by Mr Richard Leakey, Director of the Kenya National Museum and a world famous archaeologist.

Mme Eberhardt, the mother of three children, comes from Paris, is a salaried researcher of the French National Council of Social Research and had been carrying out research in Kenya since 1966. She holds the title of Maitre de recherches.

She said at the press conference that the five creatures involved in the encounters appeared to be unidentified hominoids. Earlier reports had been treated with scepticism but recent encounters could not be easily dismissed.

The reported encounters ranged from 1918 to 1978, and occurred in 11 different forests.

One "X" had been seen by 16 adults and two children, who described him as whitish in colour, wearing no clothes, of medium to large size and very strongly built. He was curious of people and domestic animals, but did not attack humans.

"The forest people say he feeds on buffalo meat, which he kills and eats raw—usually the liver only, as he then leaves the rest of the carcase", Mme Eberhardt said.

In another case, the [illegible] was described as very str[illegible] with thick matted black [illegible] and a large head, and [illegible] than 5ft tall. This creature [illegible] a rough skin cloak and ca[illegible] a large bow and poison-ti[illegible] arrows of a type unknow[illegible] people living near the fore[illegible]

"The bow, arrows and q[illegible] indicate an accomplished [illegible]san. He also collects h[illegible] Unlike the others, he uses [illegible] to cook. The others are [illegible] known to eat raw meat."

Commenting on the re[illegible] Mr Leakey said many ex[illegible]tions had been mounted in [illegible] years, including some fro[illegible] museum, with the aim of [illegible]ing down the pers[illegible] "myths" about unknown [illegible] dwellers, but none had [illegible]duced any result.

"It is a fertile groun[illegible] imagination", Mr L[illegible] added. He said tribal lo[illegible] Kenya contained frequent[illegible]ences to unexplained h[illegible] usually said to live in [illegible] forests. All the forest area[illegible] been extensively exp[illegible] often by hunters, but ther[illegible] no evidence to support[illegible] tribal lore.

Mauritania faces dilemma over Western Sahara

From Our Special Correspondent
Algiers, Oct 3

The new regime in Mauritania is now under the strongest possible pressure to state publicly whether or not it intends to recognize the Democratic Arab Republic of the Sahara, as the Polisario Front guerrilla movement describes the Western Sahara ceded by Spain to Morocco and Mauritania.

It is under pressure from Morocco, which is maintaining the 9,000 troops sent to help the deposed President Ould Daddah fight the Polisario. King Hassan has made it quite clear that he will not tolerate the recognition of a republic along his country's southern borders, even if the Mauritanians surrender their claims to the disputed part of the Western Sahara.

But this is exactly what the Polisario is trying to force Mauritania to do. Its fourth congress last week decided to maintain the ceasefire it had unilaterally declared with Mauritania in July.

Three clear conditions have been set by the Polisario: Mauritania must recognize the frontiers of the disputed territory; it must hand over control of the Mauritanian part of the Western Sahara to the Polisario; and it must withdraw its troops to the frontiers as they existed in 1960.

The weak Mauritanian economy has been broken by the war with the Polisario as the new regime knows only too well. It would never have taken control if things were going well. At the same time it feels it cannot run the risk of doing anything against the wishes of Morocco.

In an interview published in Jeune Afrique Mr Chaikhua Ould Laedah, the new Mauritanian Foreign Minister, said the essential thing was to make peace while keeping Moroccan friendship.

The new regime is desperately anxious for peace and now finds itself being manoeuvred into the position of go-between for Morocco and Algeria.

British ship on arms sales visit to Greece

From Our Own Correspondent
Athens, Oct 3

British military hardware from light Scorpion tanks to fast patrol boars and from barbed wire to guided weapons were on display on board the 15,000-ton Royal Fleet Auxiliary HMS Tarbamess during a recent visit to Piraeus.

This was the ship's first port of call during an extensive defence sales cruise to promote exports of British military equipment to Greece, Spain, Nigeria, Brazil, Colombia and Tunisia.

Officials from the armed forces and security services were invited to view displays by Royal Ordnance factories and 66 British companies, as well as demonstrations ashore or afloat.

Greece has spent undisclosed but large sums buying advanced military equipment since 1974, mainly because of antagonism towards Turkey after the invasion of Cyprus.

King Khalid h[illegible] heart operatio[illegible] in Cleveland

Cleveland, Oct 3.—[illegible] Khalid of Saudi Arabia [illegible] went open heart surgery [illegible] at the Cleveland Clinic, [illegible] America's leading hospit[illegible] the operation.

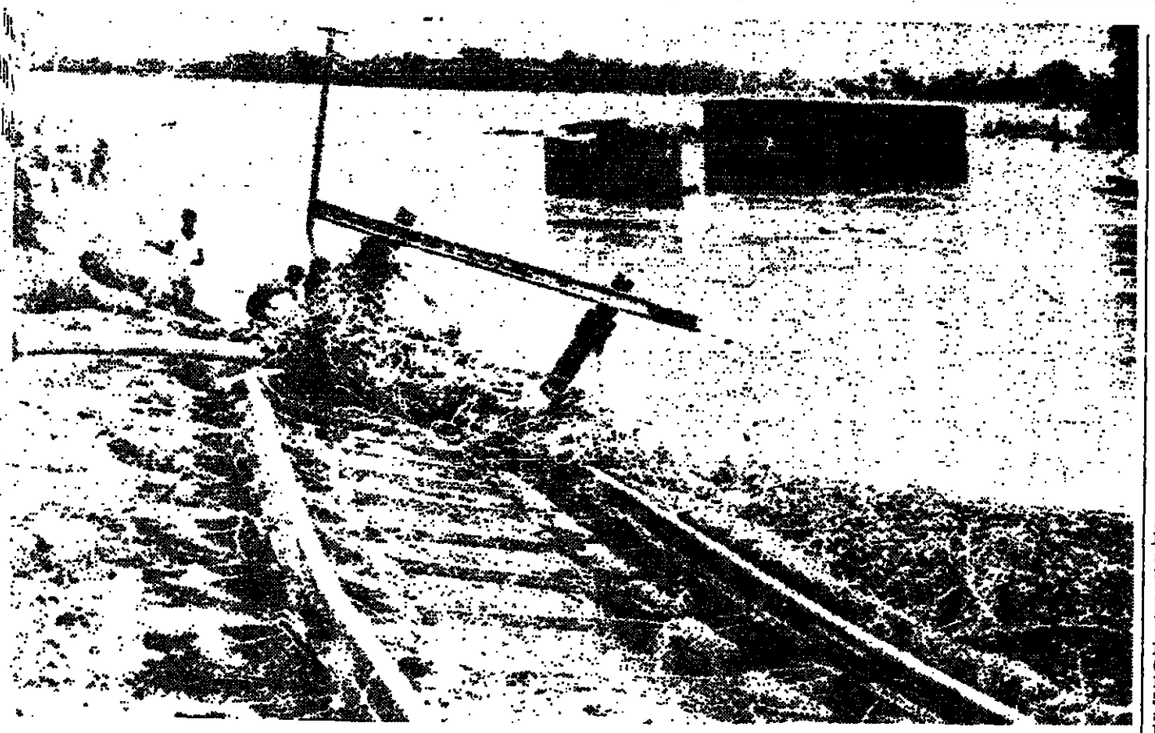
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loods sweep Asia : A railway line lies visted and partly submerged in the termath of floods near Calcutta. ome 300 people have been drowned West Bengal and a cholera outbreak has killed 25 more. Floods have also hit Thailand, Vietnam and Laos. In Thailand officials said 11 provinces were affected with 20 people dead and thousands homeless. Vietnam, which has had severe flooding for nearly a month, appealed for international aid. It said some 2,700,000 people were in urgent need of help. Laos has said its rice crop has been badly affected.

In brief

Knife man seized at White House

Washington, Oct 3.—Mr Anthony Henry, wearing karate clothing, held police briefly at bay with a knife on the White House lawn today. President Carter was in his Oval office at the time.

Two officers suffered minor cuts when guards, poking and feinting with clubs, tackled the whirling, dancing intruder.

Endurance record

Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Oct 3.—Stella Taylor endured stinging men-of-war, brushes with sharks, nausea and facial swelling for two and a half days, but was finally forced to give up her attempt to swim from the Bahamas to Florida. Her 51-hour swim set an endurance record for women.

Bonn aid for Sudan

Berlin, Oct 3.—Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, and Mr Rashid al-Tahir Bakr, his Sudanese counterpart, signed an agreement on aid for Sudan. President Nimeiry of Sudan is on a visit to Bonn.

Leave for Mrs Gandhi

Delhi, Oct 3.—One of two courts where Mrs Indira Gandhi, the former Prime Minister, faces trial hos granted her permission to travel to Britain next month.

Underworld swoop

Tokyo, Oct 3.—Police swooped on Tokyo's underworld and made 1,500 arrests, confiscating firearms, swords and stimulant drugs worth more than £2.5m.

Refinery explosions

Denver, Oct 3.—Two explosions tore through an oil refinery in a suburb here killing at least two people and injuring seven.

Greeting cards ban

Lagos, Oct 3.—The Nigerian Finance Ministry has added nine items, including Christmas cards and packaged rice, to the growing list of banned imports.



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Hearst kidnappers jailed for 10 years

Oakland, California, Oct 3.—illiam and Emily Harris, last vivors of the Symbionese peration Army (SLA) revolutaires who kidnapped Miss tricia Hearst, were sentenced a minimum 10 years' in jail lay for their part in her duction in 1974.

Judge Stanley Golde, of the meda county superior court, posed consecutive sentences, alling 10 years, eight months kidnap and other offences, the county District Attor-'s office said that with ole, they could go free in six seven years.

The Harrises changed their as from innocent to guilty ee weeks ago, after the prosecion agreed to drop charges of uring Miss Hearst, which ld have brought life sences without parole.

Mr William Harris, aged 33, l his wife, aged 31, disclosed ers they had written to ole authorities contending t the newspaper heiress was ated "with sensitivity, comsion and respect" during her nap and captivity, before she self became a member of the \. The letters rebut Miss urst's claims that she was ed, tortured and beaten to ce her to join the gang.

Meanwhile a San Francisco eral court heard pleas for a uction in the seven-year sence Miss Hearst is serving for part in SLA crimes.—UPI AP.

Iran strikers' demands to be met

From Tony Allaway
Teheran, Oct 3

The Iranian Government today promised to meet in full the demands of striking bank, telecommunications and oil refinery workers.

Employees of the state-owned Melli, Iran's largest commercial bank, ended a two-day strike today after saying the management had agreed to increase their salaries by about 15 per cent, and had also promised special allowances, housing loans, maternity grants and overtime.

A spokesman for the employees said that before the current agreement pay scales had not been changed for 10 years while inflation had added between 200 and 300 per cent to the cost of living.

Operators and technicians of the state-owned telecommunications company also said they had been promised that their demands would be met in full, after a meeting today with Mr Karim Motamedi, Minister of Posts, Telephones and Telegraphs. But they refused to return to work until they had received written confirmation which is expected after a meeting of the Cabinet today. They have been on strike for three days, demanding 50 per cent increases in salaries

The management at the world's largest oil refinery in Abadan, which is owned by the National Iranian Oil Company, announced an interim agreement on pay and allowances with striking employees.

There is now a fear that more public sector employees will follow these examples and reject recent Government initiatives to give them relatively small increases. There is said to be some unease among hospital doctors and nurses.

Observers saw a possibility that the strikes had been inspired by opposition groups. They coincided with Sunday's opposition protest against the house arrest in Iraq of the exiled religious leader Ayatollah Khomeini.

Universities closed in Sind after angry students riot

From Our Correspondent
Islamabad, Oct 3

All universities and colleges in Hyderabad and Jamshor in Sind were closed today for an indefinite period after violent clashes yesterday between students and the law enforcing agencies. According to an official statement the disorders resulted in the death of one soldier and injuries to three

An official statement claimed that the students were politically motivated. The appeal of Mr Bhutto, the former Prime Minister, against his death sentence is in its final stages of hearing. Mr Bhutto comes from Sind and there is a feeling there, based on foreign reports, that he is to be executed.

Yesterday's flare-up in Hyderabad was attributed to students' anger over the alleged molestation of a girl medical student by an Army officer. The accusation was officially denied and it was stated that the officer and girl had been friends for a long time.

The authorities appear to be using stronger methods with the pro-Bhutto elements. Sardar Salim, president of Mr Bhutto's People's Party in Rawalpindi and Islamabad, who was a member of the Upper House of Parliament last year, was sentenced to 10 lashes and six months in jail by a summary military court here yesterday for allegedly organizing public demonstrations for the release of Mr Bhutto.

However, the high court of Lahore ordered the jail authorities not to submit Sardar Salim to the flogging until it rules on his writ petition.

S mid-term elections

Minnesota cheer for Democrats

m Our Own Correspondent
shington, Oct 3

he news from Minnesota s week is rather brighter for Democrats than they had red. Their candidate for one the Senate seats up for elecn next month is well ahead his Republican rival, accordto an opinion poll. In the er contest, Senator Wendell derson, though still behind, closing the gap between n and the Republican ndidate, and Mr Rudy Perh, the acting Governor, has ved into the lead.

he Democrats had feared t they would lose all three sitions to Republicans. True, of their candidates for the tate, Mr Bob Short, won the nination by defeating the oured candidate of the al party, Mr Don Fraser, a eral congressman. Mr Short therefore not loved by the ty, but if Minnesota is to e one conservative Senator, y think, then at least let him a conservative Democrat.

The opinion poll was published on Sunday by the *Minneapolis Tribune*. Like all such polls, it has to be treated with some caution. Senator Anderson, for instance, who was behind Mr Rudy Boschwitz by 23 points in August, is now only four points behind. It is an impressive gain, if the earlier figure was a real indicator of what people intended.

Enough people fail to make up their minds three months before an election, however, to make the August figures suspect. The fact that the incumbent Senator Anderson was Governor of Minnesota in 1976 and had himself appointed to Mr Walter Mondale's Senate seat by Mr Rudy Perpich, his lieutenant-governor, is still held against him. If he is still behind, it would tend to confirm the often-encountered belief in the state that he will be defeated.

His opponents in rural Minnesota bitterly oppose his stand on the Boundary Waters Canoe Area (BWCA), a national park of lakes and forests on the Canadian border which has been closed to motor-boats and snowmobiles. For many Minnesotans, those noisy vehicles are as much part of America's inalienable rights to which they are entitled by the constitution as are their motor cars.

Mr Fraser also supported the BWCA and was defeated roundly by Mr Short in the contest for the Democratic nomination to the seat of the late Senator Hubert Humphrey. He is evidently still enjoying the popularity caused by his surprising primary victory.

In both the senate contests the result will be decided by the candidates' campaigning, including the depths of their purses. Television spots are very expensive.

The most surprising of the findings of the *Tribune* poll is the lead Mr Perpich has over the Republican candidate, Congressman Al Quie. The figures are 50 and 42 per cent respectively. Mr Quie is a highly respected long-term congressman and was thought a formidable rival to the relatively unknown Governor.

New York printers vote to accept Murdoch deal

om Michael Leapman
w York, Oct 3

striking printing press operas voted today to accept a l which their leaders had otiated with Mr Rupert rdoch, publisher of the w York *Post*, to end their day-old strike. This means t the newspaper could be blished tomorrow or on ursday, before the rival *New rk Times* and *Daily News* ve reached a settlement.

The deal is a remarkable e of cunning in that it does t address the central issue the strike. That is the plan newspaper publishers to rece the number of press operas after the introduction of w printing processes.

In a bold formula, the unions d Mr Murdoch have agreed nply to abide by any agreeent made between the union d the other two papers. Mr rdoch has, however, gained om the union the extra conssion of a promise that they ll bear in mind the Post's unhealthy financial situation when applying the agreement.

Before resuming publication, Mr Murdoch will have to resolve his disputes with other unions also on strike, notably the journalists. Negotiations with them are being held today and it was generally assumed that they would succeed.

Mr Murdoch paved the way for the settlement by withdrawing last week from joint negotiations with the other two newspapers. Although the Australian publisher is president of the city's Newspaper Publishers' Association, he has always been regarded with some suspicion by the managements of the other two newspapers.

Mr John Thompson, marketing director of the *Daily News*, said today that his company was "saddened and discouraged" by the apparent change in the tough position Mr Mnurdoch had taken earlier. He added that the *Daily News* was determined to stick by its original requirements for a settlement.

California homes destroyed by earth shift

From Our Correspondent
Los Angeles, Oct 3

The picturesque hillside community of Laguna Beach near here was wrenched apart by an earth movement which destroyed 24 houses in a five-acre area of devastation.

By dawn on Monday 200 stunned residents, most in night clothes, were virtual refugees. Their expensive homes lay in broken pieces. Damage is estimated at more than $10m (£5m), but there was only one injury.

Geologists say they are mystified by what caused the sudden slide. They think that heavy rains seven months ago might have undermined the whole canyon. They said there had been no earthquake tremors in the area during the past 10 days. Residents were warned not to return for 24 hours.

One street, Meadow Lark Drive, became two when the earth simply divided leaving a gaping 50ft chasm. Another street simply fell away leaving eight houses hanging over a 30ft cliff.

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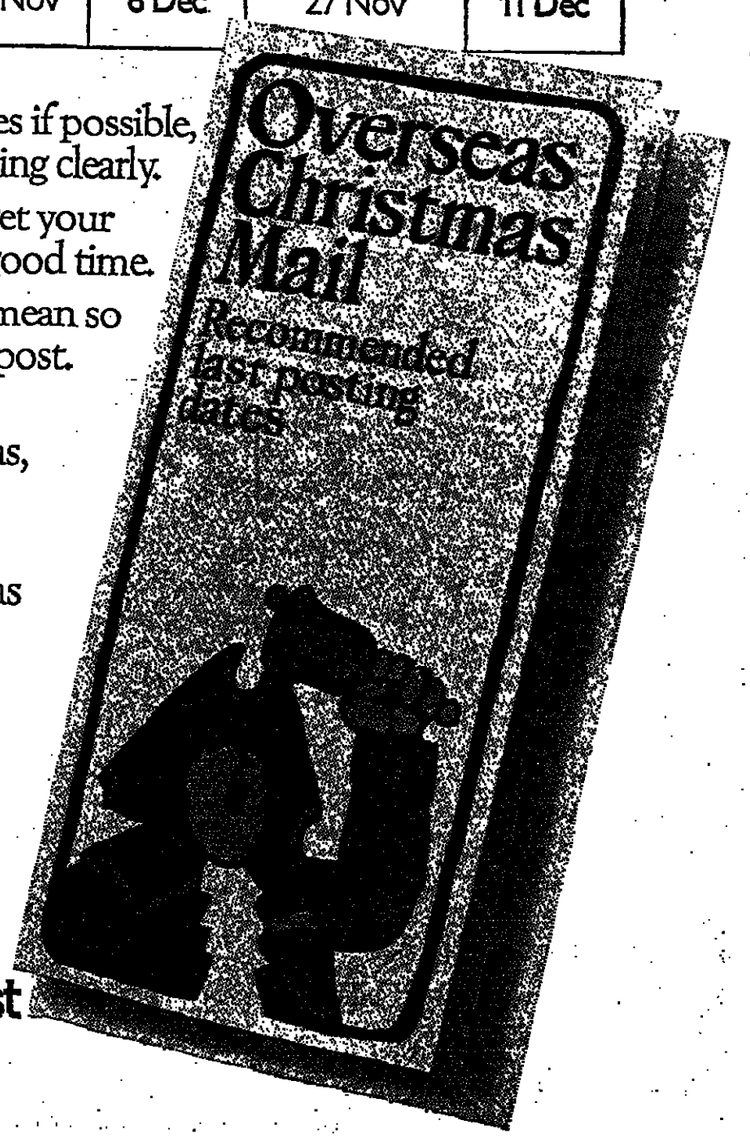
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OVERSEAS

Nicaraguan President says he will stay in power until 1981

Managua, Oct 3.—President Somoza of Nicaragua, said last night that he will guarantee the opposition free elections in 1981 but will not step down before then.

He told reporters, escorted by troops to a special late-night press conference, that he will try to "work certain things out" with the opposition so that "the next elections will be free".

A three-nation committee, composed of the United States, the Dominican Republic and Guatemala, is to mediate in talks between President Somoza and the broad Opposition Front, a coalition of business, labour and student groups opposed to the President.

President Somoza said he would guarantee the free elections but did not say what those guarantees would be. He reaffirmed his intention of staying in office until his term expired, "according to the constitution". Under the constitution he is prohibited from running for reelection.

The President said he did not see the role of the three-nation commitee as one of mediation "It's not mediation. It's friendly cooperation", he said.

Reporters were summoned to the press conference in President Somoza's heavily-guarded office, known as "the bunker". National Guard troops provided an escort to protect them from other troops enforcing a strict curfew

The Inter-American Human Rights Commission opened an office in Managua yesterday to begin investigating reports of mass massacres and other atrocities during the recent fighting between the National Guard and Sandinista guerrillas.

Staff members of the Organization of American States human rights body opened the commission's temporary offices at an hotel near the airport to start receiving complaints, although the commission's president, Señor Andres Aguilar, of Venezuela, and most of the other members are not due until today.

The commission will spend up to 11 days in Nicaragua, visiting Managua, Masaya, León, Chinandega and Esteli, all of which were involved in the fighting.—UPI.

Dissenting general arrested in Brazil

From Patrick Knight
São Paulo, Oct 3

General Hugo Abreu, previously head of President Ernesto Geisel's military household, and one of the main supporters of the candidacy of General Euler Bentes Monteiro for the presidency, has been placed in military custody for 20 days. He will not be released until after the election of the new President by the electoral college on Sunday week.

The ostensible cause for his detention was the publication of a letter sent to a number of generals criticizing the way General Joao Baptista Figueiredo, the ruling party's candidate, was selected for nomination by what he called a "palace group".

General Euler Bentes has said that he will not be intimidated by the move and plans to visit General Abreu in Brasilia next week.

During the past week, the possibility of General Euler Bentes withdrawing just before the election has seemed increasingly possible.

He was thought to have concluded that little would be served by his candidacy. He was also deeply disappointed that many MPs of the Brazilian Democratic Movement voted against an amendment to the recently passed reforms aimed at ending the indirect election of some senators. This shows that many members of the movement are reluctant to provoke a confrontation with President Geisel.

However, in view of growing support for the Democratic Movement, which may find its expression at the general election of November 15, General Euler Bentes may now decide to stay on.



Four of a crew of six RAF canoeists paddle to a record on the Mississippi. They canoed the 2,350 miles of the river in 40½ days beating a 41-year record.

Elaborate tomb for Suharto family angers critics of the Indonesian regime

From Peter Hazelhurst
Jakarta, Oct 3

Indonesia, a developing nation with an average per capita income of £130 per year, has completed an immense and elaborate mausoleum to accommodate the remains of President Suharto, his wife, their descendants and their immediate relatives.

Critics of the regime claim that the three-tiered structure, which will house at least 42 tombs on the mountain of Lawu, 250 miles south-east of Jakarta, has cost the state £4.3m.

However officials denied the allegations today, claiming that the mausoleum, known as the Astana Giri, had been completed at a "mere" cost of £500,000 from donations acquired by a private spiritual foundation, the Yayasan Mangadeg.

Ostensibly the mausoleum was built to honour the descendants and high officials of the Mangkunegara royal family of Surakarta, rulers of a second small principality in the Solo region near Mrs Suharto's ancestral home.

A spokesman for the foundation says that most of the funds donated to the mausoleum have been used to construct a road to the site and purchase land. A mosque has also been constructed in the area.

The actual mausoleum, set in 15 acres, is covered by a single-storey brick building and is sheltered by a huge copper roof and decorated with bronze railings.

Most observers believe the design has been borrowed from Indonesia's ancient and famous monument of Borobudur, commissioned in the same district in the eighth and ninth centuries by the Sailendra dynasty to reflect the ardour of royal converts to Buddhism.

The new monument, apparently designed to glorify Indonesia's 57-year-old leader and his family, touched off a controversy last November when students paraded through the streets of Jakarta with a poster: "The people are hungry while the boss builds his grave."

Embarrassed by the outcry, President Suharto ordered his anti-corruption squad to investigate the accounts of the Yayasan Mangadeg, of which he is the chief patron.

But Admiral Sudomo, the head of the anti-corruption squad, and one of the President's close aides, subsequently announced that the foundation had obtained its funds for the mausoleum from private contributions. Admiral Sudomo also denied allegations that the complex cost £4.3m.

The regime's attempt to suggest that the huge graveyard was built to honour the ruler of an ancient principality is rejected by President Suharto's adversaries.

Mrs Suharto, a shrewd businesswoman, is a member of a Javanese family which traces its connexions back to the court of the royal family of Mangkunegarano.

A spokesman for the Yayasa Mangadeg, says the mausoleum has been erected to honour the royal family of Mangkunegara. It just so happens that President Suharto happens to be the patron of the foundation, he said.

The structure was financed from contributions of private donors and has nothing to do with the Government, he added.

It is learnt however, that Mrs Suharto is the founder patron of the organization. The first tomb in the complex was allocated to her late father.

Bad light stops chess play

Baguio, Oct 3.—The World Chess Championship playing hall was blacked out when an electricity transformer failed a few hours before the twenty-ninth game was due to start.

Anatoly Karpov the champion and Viktor Korchnoi the challenger were told of the hitch just an hour before they were due to start play. The game will now start tomorrow.

Both players appeared exhausted in the struggle which entered its twelfth week today. They can each request one postponement between the twenty-fourth and thirty-second games, but have so far kept this option in reserve.

The champion and the challenger have won a game each out of the past two and the champion now stands only one step from the six wins needed to retain his crown.

In the next game Korchnoi will have the theoretical advantage of the white pieces. He told reporters he had decided to switch his tactics in the hope of staging a last-minute comeback against the champion's commanding lead.—Reuter.

Co-President of Comoro republic resigns

Moroni, Comoro Islands, Oct 3.—Co-President Muhammad Ahmed resigned today from the ruling directorate, paving the way for the election of a new leader after a mercenary-led coup last May.

His resignation coincided with the approval of a new federal style constitution for the republic, under which the other Co-President, Ahmed Abdallah, is expected to become President.

The proposed constitution was adopted by 99.31 per cent of the 187,124 voters in Sunday's referendum on the three main islands with a total population of 300,000.

The planned federal system leaves the door open for the inclusion of Mayotte, which chose to remain French when the three other Comoros Islands proclaimed independence from France three years ago.

Commenting on the results, Co-President Abdallah said they demonstrated how unpopular the ousted government of socialist President Ali Soilih had been during its 18 months in power.

The former President was shot dead attempting to escape six days after the coup led by M Bob Denard, who was later made a member of Comoros new ruling directorate and chief of the country's 11,000-man army.

After an outcry in Africa, M Denard was dismissed as army chief and left Moroni last Thursday on board a special aircraft for an unknown European destination.—Reuter.

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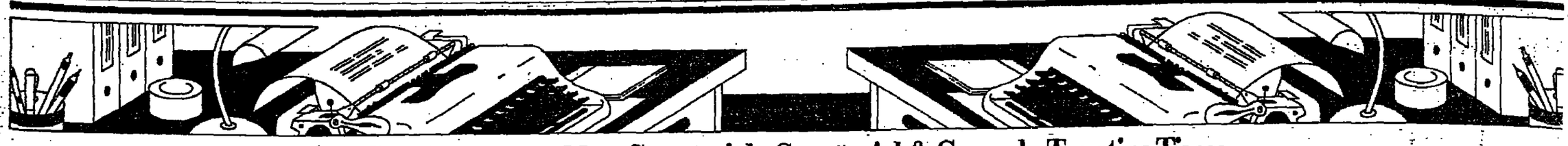
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Prisoners' right of appeal against board of visitors punishment

Court of Appeal

egina v Board of Visitors of ull Prison, Ex parte St ermain and Others

efore Lord Justice Megaw, Lord stice Shaw and Lord Justice aller

Decisions of a board of visitors a prison in disciplinary pro-edings constituted pursuant to e Prison Act, 1952, and the rison Rules made under it, are bject to judicial review by the igh Court.

The Court of Appeal so held allowing appeals by six pplicants, five of whom were in ull prison at the time of the ots in 1976, from the refusal the Divisional Court (the Lord ief Justice, Lord Justice mming-Bruce and Mr Justice urk) (*The Times*, December 7, 77; [1978] 2 WLR 598) of their pplications for orders of rtiorari to quash the adjudica-ns of the board of visitors on e ground that certiorari did not in respect of an order made a board of visitors. The sixth ppellant was in Wandsworth ison in 1976.

Their Lordships remitted the ses to the Divisional Court for aring as applications inter rtes for leave to move for dicial review under Order 53 the Rules of the Supreme ourt, as amended.

Mr Andrew Collins for Mr nald St Germain; Mr Michael loff for the other appellants: Philip Otton, QC, and Mr rry Woolf for the prison itors.

LORD JUSTICE MEGAW said t in August and September, 76, rioting took place in Hull son and disciplinary proceed-s were taken in respect of 180 soners. Seven of them applied the Divisional Court for leave move for orders of certiorari quash the awards made by the son board of visitors in their pective cases. The court refused applications holding that rtiorari did not lie in respect awards made by boards of visi-s in respect of alleged offences inst discipline under the Prison es, 1964. Five of the seven ealed. In a sixth application, Raymond Rosa, which came way of original motion to the rt of Appeal, the respondents e the board of visitors of adsworth prison and dealt with ers in that prison.

ll six cases raised the same le issue of law—whether the eedings of boards of visitors blished under the Prison Act, , and the Prison Rules made er it, where those proceedings lted in awards in respect of nces against discipline, were ect to judicial review.

ne Divisional Court, holding matter of jurisdiction that iorari did not lie, did not eforc investigate the allega-s of breaches of the required edure or of natural justice ne proceedings of the boards isitors. It was alleged inter that the appellants were not ved to cross-examine witnesses o call witnesses whom they ed to call in order to estab-that they had not in fact mitted the disciplinary ices with which they were ged.

s Lordship first considered her the Court of Appeal had diction to hear the appeals or her it was "a criminal cause matter" in respect of which al lay only to the House of s by virtue of section 31(1)(a) ne Supreme Court of Judica-(Consolidation) Act, 1925, section 1(1) of the Adminis-n of Justice Act 1960. He that if *Amand v Home Secre-*([1943] AC147) governed the r the appeals, if any, would the House of Lords direct the 1960 Act, not to the t of Appeal.

the end he had been per-d by his brethren, aided by act that counsel for all the es urged that the judgment led from was not a "crimi-ause or matter". Because in ules the offences were speci-y described as "offences st discipline" they could be d as other than "offences st the public law". Therefore *nd's* case could properly be guished.

e issue of law which the having jurisdiction, thus to decide, arose out of a al "private law" code of pline which related to a par-ir and limited class of persons in respect of which special derations applied. Thus the ing signals were hoisted ist any ready and uncritical mption that principles which ed generally in other spheres l, or ought necessarily to, be ed in the present sphere with-regard to possible modifica-

s Lordship referred to sections 6(2) and (3), 47(1) and (2) 52 of the Prison Act which ded that all powers and juris-n in relation to prisons and ners shall be exercisable by Home Secretary who shall the general superintendence isons, provide for the appoint-of boards of visitors and ower the Secretary of State to rules for the regulation and agement of prisons and for discipline and control of ons required to be detained in. By section 47(2) the rules to make provision for ensur-hat a person who was charged any offence under the rules ld be given a proper oppor-y of presenting his case.

les 4 and 5 of the Prison 5, 1964 (as amended), pro-for privileges and for re-on of sentence, and rule 47 out the offences against dis-e. By rule 49(2) at any in-into a charge against a ner he had to be given a full rtunity of hearing what was ed against him and of pre-ng his own case.

s Lordship referred to Form 1145, which was handed to prisoners when they were to appear before a board of visitors on an "adjudication" and which set out in simple language the procedure which the prisoner could expect to be followed when he appeared before the board of visitors. That showed that the prisoner would be asked whether he pleaded guilty or not guilty to the charge; that there would be evidence of witnesses in support of the charge; that he might question the witnesses; that after the evidence he might make his defence to the charge. Paragraph 7 stated: "If you want to call witnesses ask the chairman for permission to do so. Tell him who they are and what you think their evidence will prove. If the board think that the witnesses may be able to give useful evidence, they will hear them."

That, to his Lordship's mind, pointed to a judicial proceeding.

His Lordship referred to Rule 51 of the Prison Rules which brought in the board of visitors and said that the offences against discipline with which a board of visitors would be required to deal were likely to be substantially more serious than the offences with which the governor of the prison could deal and that the punishments which the board of visitors could award were very much more severe.

A prisoner could always submit a petition to the Secretary of State, and complain about any injustice which he claimed had occurred in disciplinary proceedings. That, it had been suggested, provided, in effect, for an appeal to the Secretary of State.

Mr Otton had submitted that the board of visitors were an integral part of the administration of a prison; that their role was administrative; and that although they had what he described as quasi-judicial functions, those functions did not alter their administrative role in relation to the management of the prison. Their administrative functions, he contended, were such that the courts should not interfere with any of the decisions or procedures arising out of the exercise of their powers.

His Lordship agreed with the Lord Chief Justice in the Divisional Court that the act which the board of visitors performed under that jurisdiction was a judicial act, and that the board had a duty to act judicially. The Lord Chief Justice had said that there was an exception to the general rule which prevented certiorari from going, even though the circumstances otherwise appeared entirely suitable and appropriate for it. That exception was where the order under challenge was an order made in private disciplinary proceedings, some closed body and a body which enjoyed its own form of discipline and its own rules, and where there was a power to impose sanctions within the scope of those rules donated as part of the formation of the body itself.

The principal authority which moved the Lord Chief Justice was *Ex parte Fry* ([1954] 1 WLR 730). The criticism made before their Lordships of the judgment of Lord Goddard in that case was well-founded at least as regards certain dicta. The decision was upheld by the Court of Appeal on another ground, namely, that the exercise of the discretion to grant the remedy would not be appropriate on the facts of the case. In his Lordship's view, it would be unsafe to treat the *Fry* decision as still being good law having regard to what was said in *Ridge v Baldwin* ([1964] AC40) and the observations of Lord Denning, in *R v Gaming Board, Ex parte Benaim* ([1970] 2 QB 417, 430). So far as *Fry* itself was concerned, its authority, in relation to the question of jurisdiction, was at any rate rendered doubtful by the observations of Lord Denning obiter in *Buckocke v Greater London Council* ([1971] Ch 655, 669).

Nevertheless it was open to the court, particularly in the light of the very special nature of these "private law" proceedings as to offences against discipline in prisons, to consider as a matter of public policy whether or not in principle certiorari should be allowed to go in respect of awards of boards of visitors. It was for the court, subject to over-riding statutory provisions, to say where the limits lay. There was no authority binding on the court which either required their Lordships to accept or prevented them from accepting that the present cases fell inside or outside those limits.

The Lord Chief Justice would have held that the awards of boards of visitors might be subject to judicial review but for his view that, if that were accepted, it would have to be accepted also as regards awards by governors. In his Lordship's judgment that consequence did not follow. The board of visitors' function in acting as a judicial tribunal in adjudicating on charges of offences against discipline and in making awards consequent on findings of guilt was a separate and independent function different in character from their own functions. It was materially different from the governor's function in dealing with alleged offences against discipline. While the governor heard charges and made awards his position in so doing corresponded to that of a commanding officer or a schoolmaster. Both good sense and the practical requirements of public policy made it undesirable that his exercise of that part of his administrative duties should be made subject to certiorari.

The same, however, did not apply to the adjudications and awards of boards of visitors who were enjoined to mete out punishment only after a formalized inquiry and/or hearing. It might be difficult to define the distinction as a strict matter of logic. But as a matter of proper practical application of the law in the general interest, not forgetting the legitimate interest of prisoners, that was where the line should be drawn in respect of this "private law" disciplinary machinery. There was nothing in existing law which required their Lordships to decline to draw that line of distinction. He would allow the appeals.

LORD JUSTICE SHAW, concurring in the result, agreed that the proceedings with which the court was concerned did not fall within the concept of "a criminal cause or matter" and were competent and justiciable by the Court of Appeal. The speeches in *Amand v Home Secretary* supported that view.

As to the primary question, his Lordship said that in the scheme envisaged by the Prison Act, 1952, and shaped by the Prison Rules the courts had no defined place and no direct or immediate function. Judicial intervention in the domestic management of a prison would generally be not merely irrelevant but also intrusive and impolitic. But, despite the deprivation of his general liberty, a prisoner remained invested with residuary rights appertaining to the nature and conduct of his incarceration.

The rights of a citizen, however circumscribed by a penal sentence or otherwise, must always be the concern of the courts unless their jurisdiction was clearly excluded by some statutory provision. The courts were in general the ultimate custodians of the rights and liberties of the subject whatever his status and however attenuated those rights and liberties might be as the result of some punitive or other process. An essential characteristic of the right of a subject was that it carried with it a right of recourse to the courts unless some statute decreed otherwise.

What should be the nature and measure of the relief accorded must be a matter for the courts. Public policy or expediency as well as merits might well be factors to consider and they might influence the answer to any application for relief; but to deny jurisdiction on the ground of expediency seemed to his Lordship, with all respect to Lord Widgery, to be tantamount to abdicating a primary function of the judiciary.

Apart from statute or specific contract there could be no external fetters on the exercise by the court of its jurisdiction to control the proceedings of bodies or individuals who had the power to deal with the rights of liberties or status of the subject. The only necessary restraint on the exercise of that supervisory and salutary jurisdiction was an internal one, the discretion of the court from whom relief was sought. If therefore it was recognized, as it was by the Lord Chief Justice, that a board of visitors was required to act judicially in the discharge of its disciplinary function it must follow that the supervisory jurisdiction of the High Court was at once alerted.

It was readily understandable that discipline in a prison might be weakened if its exercise could be challenged in the courts; but until Parliament chose to enact that the proceedings of a board of visitors in its disciplinary function, however conducted, should be free from supervision or control by the High Court, the scope of its inherent jurisdiction must include such proceedings. His Lordship did not find it easy, if at all possible, to distinguish between disciplinary proceedings conducted by a board of visitors and those carried out by a prison governor. The essential nature of the proceedings as defined by the Prison Rules was the same. So in nature, if not in degree, were the consequences to a prisoner. He would allow the appeals.

LORD JUSTICE WALLER said that, save that he would reserve a final decision on whether or not certiorari would lie against the governor of a prison until the question arose, he agreed with the judgment of Lord Justice Megaw.

His Lordship agreed with the Lord Chief Justice where he emphasized the importance of the officer charged with maintaining discipline not being interfered with by the courts, but the important questions was whether that principle extended to boards of visitors. Whereas the governor's maximum power was to award forfeiture of remission not exceeding 28 days, the board of visitors could award forfeiture of 180 days for graver offences and more for specially grave offences. Again, whereas the governor was intimately concerned with the day-to-day discipline, the board of visitors had a multiplicity of duties in many respects standing between the prisoner and the governor. It was only a comparatively small part of its duties to hear charges and only a small proportion of charges ever reached the board of visitors.

Two questions arose: did the rules of natural justice apply to proceedings before boards of visitors and were there nevertheless reasons why certiorari should not lie?

His Lordship agreed that the matter had to be approached on the footing that the board of visitors had a judicial task to perform. In his Lordship's judgment the rules of natural justice did apply to hearings before boards of visitors and certiorari would lie unless there were compelling reasons to the contrary.

It had been argued that the possibility of judicial review would have an adverse effect on morale and discipline. His Lordship's own view was that the possible granting of certiorari would be unlikely to have any effect on the morale or discipline of prisons in either way. It would be as likely to improve morale as to make no difference at all. Boards of visitors held the balance between the governor and the internal discipline of the prison and the prisoner himself and, when sitting, could be regarded as "an impartial and independent authority". It was open to an applicant to apply for judicial review of an award by the board of visitors.

The appeals were allowed.

Leave to appeal was refused.

Solicitors: George Baker & Co, Guildford; Neilson & Co; Douglas Mann & Co for Patterson, Glenton and Stracey, South Shields; Bindman & Partners: Sharpe, Pritchard & Co for Philip Hamer & Co, Hull: Miss Hilary Kitchin, National Council of Civil Liberties; Treasury Solicitor.

Elizabethan goblet found in attic fetches £75,000

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

An Elizabethan glass goblet made by the great Giacomo Verzelini, a Venetian who introduced the artistry of Venetian glassmaking into England, was sold at Christie's yesterday for £75,000. That is by far the highest price ever paid at auction for glassware of any country or date; only early Persian glass has approached it. The purchaser was Heide Hübner, a dealer from Wurzburg, in West Germany.

Verzelini received a patent from Elizabeth I giving him a monopoly on glassmaking in England for 21 years. Fewer than a dozen pieces had been attributed with any certainty to his Broad Street glasshouse hitherto. That sold yesterday is an addition to the known work.

It was sold anonymously but was apparently found recently in the attic of an English country house. The owner, who had not appreciated its importance, has no certain memory of how it came into her possession. It might have been among some knicknacks given to her by her mother about 50 years ago.

The goblet will, of course, require an export licence if it is to leave Britain. Verzelini glass is represented in the main museums. The underbidder was the London dealer, Sheppard and Cooper.

The goblet is engraved in diamond point with a presentation inscription: "*To his brother* Richard Grenhal" and bears the date 1584. It has two large panels enclosing heraldic devices, an eagle's leg erased in one and an eagle preying on a child in swaddling clothes in the other. Christie's have been unable to trace their significance.

The sale of glass was the most distinguished at Christie's for many years and brought the highest total on record, £152,417, with 4 per cent unsold (mainly above estimate). A second great rarity was a Nuremburg vintner's goblet of around 1680.

It is painted in *schwarzlot* by Hermann Benckert, one of the local freelance decorators or *Hausmaler*. There are three circular medallions, of figures harvesting grapes, horsemen before an inn, and figures carousing. It was sold to Virginia Young at £12,000.

The Beilby enamalled glass sold for very high prices. A ravishing opaque-twist goblet with white enamel Beilby decoration, a trailing wine and a dragonfly, made £3,400 (estimate, £1,000-£1,400).

The late nineteenth-century cameo glass also ran to high prices, with a Thomas Webb and Son oviform vase selling at £10,000 (estimate £1,500-£2,500). The decoration included a horse, apparently a rare motif.

An Old Master print sale at Christie's made £41,789, with a per cent unsold, and a book sale at Sotheby's £32,235, with less than 1 per cent unsold.

Sotheby's Belgravia held its first sale devoted exclusively to Victorian watercolours. The demand for decorative watercolours is so strong that they now can be sold separately from paintings. Thee sale made £29,862, with 2 per cent unsold. The top price was £1,900 (estimate £1,500-£3,000) for "Chasing Butterflies", by Miles Birkett Foster.

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The solicitors had claimed £395 in the bill of costs. There were 31 telephone attendances occupying three and a half hours of time at £13 an hour. The effect of recalculations by assessors was that £16 was taxed off the bill instead of the £100 taxed off by the taxing master.

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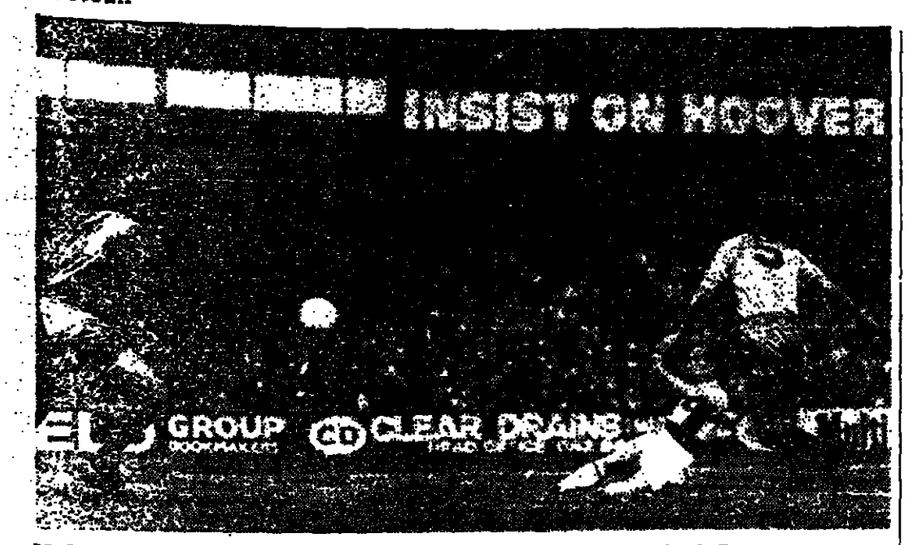


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Little stability about Swansea as Rangers keep one guess ahead

By Geoffrey Green

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There was no Welsh magic for Swansea City at Loftus Road last night. Queen's Park Rangers, with two goals in the first 35 minutes, gave themselves a useful bank balance which they held to the end and now find themselves in the last 16 of the League Cup.

That opening was too much of a millstone around Swansea's neck. In only 52 seconds a long pass by Francis cut a wide avenue down the Welsh defence. Into it swept Eastoe, leaving Toshack trailing behind, and there was McGee to sweep in a first-time half volley at a sharp angle.

Just after the half hour there was another error by Swansea after Francis and Bowles had carved out a corner on the right. Bowles's inswinging kick was poorly headed square by Stevenson and went to Cunningham, who nodded back across goal for Eastoe to flick home off his forehead. The second half however saw a different Swansea. Now they showed something of a powerful will and resourcefulness as they swept back in an effort to recover lost ground.

This was not to be wondered at since the Welsh club may now be said to be populated by Liverpool old boys. Here indeed was a touch of Anfield with Toshack and Smith and Boersma and Callaghan on the field. The last-named, like a clockwork toy, continued to the end to provide action and movement.

But in the end all Swansea's gallant efforts after the interval came to nothing. However, they did reveal one young player, James, who was so homesick for Wales that he fled Arsenal a few seasons ago after only two days at Highbury. He is a young man very quick on the turn and a good eye for openings. Swansea's player-manager, Toshack, switched from the back four to striker after Rangers' second goal but it was all to no avail.

James went closest to saving his side. In the first half he brought a reflex save from Richardson, taking the injured Parkes's place in goal with a swift close shot. Then after the interval with 20 minutes left he beat three men in a small space and saw his shot strike the crossbar with the goalkeeper beaten.

Swansea were without Jeremy Charles, the son of Mel Charles, and Curtis, and that may have made some difference, but it was that tentative, almost chaotic start that had little order or stability that undid the Welshmen. With those two goals in their pocket, Rangers kept one guess ahead for all the pressure which they had to ride in the second half. Here, in a sense, was a clash and strain of many fighting for recognition. Outstanding among them were James and Bowles.

One could say that Swansea's opening was a dedication to the Goddess of Waste and now lying third in the third division their future holds the germ of some possibility. Rangers will be happy with half the first division already swept away in the competition, but must surely be worrying about the fitness of Bowles who was carried off in the last few minutes after a tackle by Smith.

Bowles played down the Smith tackle. "It was a bit late, but I don't think it was intentional", he said. "There was no needle in the game. How could there be? It wasn't a game. The ankle is bruised and grazed, but I'm not written off yet for Saturday."

Mr Toshack said: "I suppose there will be a lot of fuss about it, but it wasn't a bad tackle. That's just the label Tommy has to carry. I don't suppose he minds too much."

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS: D. Richardson; D. Shanks, I. Gillard, J. Hollins, E. Howe, T. Cunningham, P. Eastoe, G. Francis, R. Harkouk, S. Bowles (sub. M. Abbott), P. McGee.
SWANSEA CITY: G. Crudginton; W. Evans, D. Bartley, T. Smith, D. Bruton, N. Stevenson, J. Boersma, Waddle, J. Toshack, I. Callaghan.
Referee: A. R. Glasson (Wiltshire).

Boyer plays the lead in southern drama

By John Nicholls

Southampton 1 Derby County 0

A well-taken goal by Boyer in the 33rd minute was sufficient to carry Southampton through an entertaining third round Football League Cup tie at The Dell last night. Only 10 days ago Derby had beaten Southampton in a first division match; last night the southern club fully deserved their revenge. They attacked at every opportunity and only superb goalkeeping by Middleton kept the score to a single goal.

Gennoe had his moments, too, in the Southampton goal, with a save from McCaffery in the first half that possibly kept his side in the game. But mostly the play moved from the midfield towards Derby's goal, with Ball the man, as ever, directing his men. He was well supported and often equalled by Williams, who made several scintillating runs from inside his own half.

Southampton's goal was laid on by Holmes, who found some space on the left and carefully weighted his cross to Boyer's feet. The inside forward turned in his tracks, rounded McFarland, and shot into the roof of the net. Derby instantly counter-attacked, but they were unable to penetrate the determined Southampton defence, strengthened by the return of Nicholl.

Southampton started and finished the first half in complete control. In between, Derby had their moments, mainly from quick breaks and usually involving George and Daly. Indeed, Daly found the net with a crisp shot after an effort from Daniel had been blocked, but another player was offside.

Almost all Southampton's attacks started down their right wing, where Curran tormented his old club-mates. It frequently took two or three men to counter him and, when he was stopped, Golac, the Yugoslav full back, took over. Crosses from the right rained into the Derby penalty area and MacDougall managed to connect with many of them.

He was at his most effective and at least one of his attempts deserved a goal. Derby never ceased trying, but their midfield men were unable either to contain Southampton or supply the ball to their forwards. George, nominally a forward alongside Caskey, worked hard and looked the only man likely to inspire his side.

Both teams used their substitutes, Moreland coming on for McFarland and Hebberd for Peach. Both men contributed to a fine game, with Moreland, although a defender, forcing Gennoe to save from a powerful header.

SOUTHAMPTON: T. Gennoe; J. Golac, D. Peach (sub T. Hebberd), S. Williams, C. Nicholl, M. Waldron, A. Ball, P. Boyer, E. MacDougall, N. Holmes, T. Curran.
DERBY COUNTY: J. Middleton; D. Langan, S. Buckley, G. Daly, R. McFarland (sub. J. Moreland), A. McCaffery, S. Powell, P. Daniel, B. Caskey, C. George, J. Clark.
Referee: E. Read (Bristol).

The end of a four dream

Northampton 1 Stoke C 3

Alan Bloor, with his first goal in three years and second half goals by O'Callaghan and Kendall ended Northampton's hopes of League Cup glory last night.

But the referee Roger Kirkpatrick was at the centre of controversy just before half-time when he awarded Stoke a penalty as 17-year-old Adrian Heath, playing his first senior game, was fouled—but then, after consulting a linesman, changed his mind.

It incensed the Stoke players so much that their manager, Alan Durban, went on the pitch at the interval to restrain his team. Mr Kirkpatrick said that the ball had gone out of play before the incident happened.

Northampton will claim they were unfortunate for after Bloor's tenth minute effort which he prodded home, Cordice hit a post before Reilly squeezed in the equaliser in the 39th minute.

Then after O'Callaghan had headed the second goal in the 56th minute, the Stoke defender Denis Smith, struck his own post with a back pass from the halfway line.

Northampton never gave up, with Reilly twice booking over the bar to keep up the hopes of their biggest crowd for seven years. But Kendall ended it all with a 30 yard third goal straight from a free kick in the final minute.

Earles earns replay with two goals in a minute

Rotherham 2 Reading 2

The Reading hero was Earles with two goals in a minute to earn his side a deserved replay after they had looked to be on their way out of the League Cup at Millmoor. He put them back in the game in the 67th minute following a corner and within 60 seconds he pushed home the equaliser from close range from Hetzkess's pass.

Rotherham had gone ahead with a Fluney penalty in the 48th minute and Crawford had added to it seven minutes later. Reading had three players booked, Lewis, Hetzkess and White.

Burnley 1 Brighton 3

Brighton stormed through to the fourth round with a well organized performance against Burnley. Goals at the start of each half destroyed the opposition and despite a spirited Burnley fight back midway through the second half Brighton stayed well in command.

They went ahead in the fourth minute, when Maybank volleyed in a centre from Horton. After Burnley had two shots cleared off the line, just before the interval, Brighton went further ahead in the 36th minute with a header by Ward.

Burnley reduced the deficit in the 64th minute, with a 30-yard drive from Brennan seconds after a shot from Scott had been deflected on to the underside of the crossbar. Ward half-volleyed Brighton's third, 15 minutes from time.

Peterborough 1 Swindon 1

Makeshift Swindon held out for a draw at Peterborough despite having forward Cunningham sent off in the second half. With five regular first team players missing—three through injury and two other cup tied—Swindon outplayed Peterborough for long periods and deserved a second chance next Tuesday.

Swindon punished sloppy Peterborough marking after 47 minutes, Aizlewood heaing Ford's centre unchallenged inside the far post. Nine minutes later Styles hit his first goal for Peterborough to level the scores, the defender shooting through a crowded goalmouth after Doyle touched a free kick in his direction.

Cunningham, cautioned earlier for dissent, was sent off by the referee, Malcolm Sinclair, after a 79th minute foul on Styles. Swindon also had Stroud cautioned for

Everton 1 Darlington 0

Darlington, of the fourth division, made it an uncomfortable night for the championship challengers, Everton, at Goodison Park. But in the end Everton won through thanks to a Dobson goal in the 54th minute. The goal was the result of a clever chip over the goalkeeper, Burleigh, after a link up with King.

Taylor's lesson on ancient history

Watford, the fourth division champions last season, tackle Manchester United at Old Trafford in tonight's League Cup third round and Graham Taylor, the manager is not worried about the result. Win or lose, he wants his side to impress.

"My only concern is that we play well," he said. "As long as we put in a good performance and show what we can do, our reputation will be enhanced regardless of the result." United squeezed into the last 32 by the skin of their teeth against Stockport County, of the fourth division. But Mr Taylor does not feel that United's narrow 3-2 win has any bearing on the game.

"That game was so long ago as to be ancient history," Mr Taylor, who has guided Watford to second place in the third division, said. "It won't be an easy game in the sense that we are a third division side going to a first division club. But it's nice to be the underdogs for once after the tremendous publicity we have attracted in the past 15 months."

His only injury worry is about Harrison, a recently introduced left back, but the form of Jenkins, who has scored 14 goals already this season, convinces him that his side has a chance. United name the same side that beat Manchester City last Saturday.

Oxford United are under no illusions about the size of their task at home to Nottingham Forest, the League Cup holders and first division champions. A crop of injuries has not helped the cause of their manager, Michael Brown, but he still thinks his third division side could give Forest a surprise.

"We couldn't have a better tie, whichever way you look at it", he said. "We've got absolutely nothing to lose but I only hope the players who got us this far are fit for tomorrow." Duncan's ankle injury has ruled him out but two other players—Briggs and Doyle—who took Oxford past Cardiff City and Plymouth Argyle after a replay in the previous rounds, should be fit.

"We fancy our chances against anybody", Mr Brown said, "and the better the opposition, the better we play. We're fully aware that Forest are the best around but if my team plays to its fullest ability we could surprise a few people." Forest's only doubt concerns Clark, who has resumed training after having stitches in a shin gashed in last week's European Cup game at Liverpool.

Brian Clough takes 14 players to Oxford and will not name his side until just before the kick-off. "We know that Oxford are not doing very well at the moment", Peter Taylor, Forest's assistant manager, said, "but that counts for absolutely nothing. They will want to beat us as much as we want to beat them. And they have nothing to lose."

Aston Villa, crippled by injuries face a difficult home game against Crystal Palace, second in the second division, who have named a party of 14. Manchester City travel to Blackpool now languishing in the third division. Blackpool hope to have Wagstaffe back in action and City are waiting to see whether Barnes has recovered from influenza. Ron Futcher stands by.

Robb, who scored on his first appearance for Norwich City on Saturday, retains his place at Chester because Chivers is still injured. Bolton Wanderers are to select Poole, a goalkeeper, for his first appearance at Exeter as their first choice, McDonagh, is suffering from a thigh injury.

Stoke City are also ready to give a youngster, Heath, his first chance in their tie at Northampton. Heath scored twice in a reserve game on Saturday and will play if Irvine fails a late fitness test on a badly bruised shoulder sustained in Saturday's 1—1 draw with Crystal Palace. Richardson comes back into the side after injury to replace Busby.

Charlton Athletic's captain, Peacock will also have a fitness test before the manager, Andy Nelson, names his team for the tie at Chesterfield. Peacock injured an ankle during Charlton's first away league win of the season at Blackburn last Saturday. Powell and Berry stand by

Stein to take the high road back to Scotland

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent

Jock Stein, who has been at Leeds United for only 44 days, will almost certainly be the new Scotland manager in succession to Alistair MacLeod. Last night the Leeds directors gave him permission to discuss the vacancy with the Scottish Football Association, who on Monday decided he was their choice.

For Leeds the situation is familiar in some respects to that which faced them when Brian Clough left, also after 44 days, but the circumstances then were that it was clear Mr Clough and the players could not reach agreement. In the case of Mr Stein there is harmony with the staff and directors and indeed last night the chairman, Manny Cussins, admitted that he was "heart-broken".

Mr Cussins said that when the Scottish FA first asked Leeds for permission to approach Mr Stein he was tempted to refuse, but the fact that the manager had not signed his three-year contract, worth about £85,000, obviously made that impossible. The board met last night and afterwards Mr Stein said he was going to Glasgow today for a meeting with the Scottish FA. He said: "I have had personal talks with Mr Cussins, the nature of which I do not wish to disclose, but he has attempted to persuade me to stay at Leeds. At this stage I don't know whether I am staying. The biggest consideration is a domestic one. My wife is not keen to come down to Leeds."

Mr Stein added: "I don't know yet what the Scottish FA are going to say to me and I will have to consider carefully their offer. There are no problems as far as Leeds are concerned. I was satisfied with the terms they offered me when I took the job. I will inform Leeds as soon as possible of my decision."

Mr Cussins, who emphasized that his discussion with Mr Stein had not been of a financial nature, said: "I feel heartbroken. Nothing in my life has worried me more than this, not even the Brian Clough affair." The chairman was not alone in his concern that the loss of another manager to a club attempting to restore the success given them by Don Revie would be serious. Trevor Cherry, the club captain, said: "All the players respect Jock. It will be a disaster if he goes."

The SFA's selection committee met on Monday but would not announce whether the manager they wanted was Mr Stein. However, there was little doubt in anyone's mind. Yesterday, though, their secretary, Ernest Walker, telephoned Leeds to ask permission to approach Mr Stein but was met with a cold reply. Mr Cussins said he felt the manager wanted to stay at Elland Road.

This must have been so up to a point because, at the time of his appointment, Mr Stein had said he always wanted to complete his career by managing an English club. This week has brought him a difficult conflict of loyalties between Leeds, who gave him that opportunity when he had no satisfying future with Celtic, his former club, and Scotland.

Scotland's problem is more of their own making. At the time of Mr MacLeod's unhappy return with the Scottish team from the World Cup, Mr Stein was free from club commitments but the Scottish FA decided to retain Mr MacLeod, who later resigned

Yesterday's results

League Cup, third round

Burnley	(0) 1	Brighton	(1) 3
Brennan 9,056		Maybank Ward (2)	
Everton	(0) 1	Darlington	(0) 0
Dobson		25,682	
Luton	(0) 2	Crews	(0) 1
Hill Hatton		Bowles (pen) 6,602	
Northampton	(1) 1	Stoke	1) 3
Reilly		Dodd O'Callaghan Kendall	
Peterboro	(0) 1	Swindon	(0) 1
Styles 5,122		Aizlewood	
Replay next Tuesday			
QPR	(2) 2	Swansea	(0) 0
McGee Eastoe		18,513	
Rotherham	(0) 2	Reading	(0) 2
Finney (pen) Crawford		Earles (2) 6,847	
Southampton	(0) 1	Derby	(0) 0
Boyer		19,109	

Anglo-Scottish Cup, quarter-final round, second leg

Mansfield	(0) 3	Partick T	(1) 2
G. Saxby Goodwin (2, 1 pen) 5,387		Sommer Melrose	

Aggregate 3—3 after extra time. Mansfield won 3—1 on penalties.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE CUP: Second round replay: Aylesbury 0, Grantham 2.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Hastings 2, Bath 2.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Mallock 1, Workson 1; Morecambe 1, Runcorn 0; Nelnfield 0, Barrow 1; South Liverpool 1, Altrincham 1; Southport 2, Lancaster 2; Stafford Rangers 4, Buxton 3.

ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Grays 2, Hoddesdon 0; Hartnuey 1, Chalfont St Peter 1.

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Hendon 5, Dagenham 0; Kitchin Dulwich Hamlet 1; Leatherhead 2, Sutton 2; Leytonstone Enfield 3, Oxford City 2, Kingstonian 1; Slough Woking 3; Tooting and Mitcham 3, Borehamwood 0; Wycombe Wanderers 5, Hayes 2. First division: Hampton Clapton 0, Second division: Hungerford 2, Chesham 1; Willesden 2, Camberley 5; Worthing 4, Horncharch 0.

SCHOOL MATCHES: Eton 3, Slough GS 1; Lancing 1, Aldenham 2.

RUGBY UNION: Exeter 15, Torquay 22; Nottingham 6, Coventry 16; South Wales Police 15, Neath 15. School matches: Duke of York's RMS 6, King's, Canterbury 38; Eastbourne 53, Brighton 0; King's Gloucester 6, Solihull 20; Monmouth 26, HP Morgan's XV 24.

SCHOOLS MATCH: Warwick 0, Rugby 37.

RUGBY LEAGUE: BBC floodlit competition, First round: Halifax 12, Hull Kingston Rovers 21; Keighley 15, Huddersfield 25; Widnes 17, Whitehaven 13.

American football

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Washington Redskins 9, Dallas Cowboys 3.

Today's fixtures

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated

LEAGUE CUP: third round: Aston Villa v Crystal Palace; Blackpool v Manchester City; Chester v Norwich; Chesterfield v Charlton; Exeter v Bolton; Manchester United v Watford; Oxford United v Nottingham Forest.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE CUP: third round: Arbroath Airdrie; Celtic v Motherwell; Falkirk v Ayr United; Hamilton v Aberdeen; Hibernian v Clydebank; Kilmarnock v Morton; Raith v Montrose; Rangers v St Mirren.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: First Division North: Bromsgrove v Kings Lynn.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Frickley v Gateshead; Macclesfield v Bangor City.

RUGBY UNION: four matches: Northern Division v The Argentines (Headingley); Bath v Barbarians XV (7.15); County Championship: Dorset & Wiltshire v Buckinghamshire (Salisbury—5.0); Hampshire v Sussex (Portsmouth—5.0); Herfordshire v Surrey (Croxley Green—5.0); Leicestershire v East Midlands (Leicester—7.15); Middlesex v Kent (Sudbury—5.0); Oxfordshire v Berkshire (Banbury—5.0). Club matches: Bridgend v Cross Keys (7.15); Cambridge Univ v Cambridge City (2.45); Ebbw Vale v Aberavon (7.0); Moseley v Rugby; Newbridge v Bristol (5.30); Pontypool v Gloucester (7.0); Old Ruthlenians v Raynes Park (5.45).

RUGBY LEAGUE: Under 24 International: Britain v Australia (Hull KR).

HOCKEY: South v Malaysian XI (Richmond—2.45).

Rugby Union

Warfield the schoolmaster is still top of the form with the selectors

By Peter West
Rugby Corresponden:

Peter Warfield, the Rosslyn Park centre, who won the last of his six caps more than three years ago—before knee troubles at Cambridge threatened to end his career—has been chosen to play alongside Paul Dodge in an England team to play Argentina at Twickenham on Saturday week. So has Bushell, the Harlequins full back, and Gifford, the Moseley scrum half—the last named to the exclusion of Young, of Gosforth, who is a replacement. In all other respects the side is that which finished the British 1978 international championship with two victories. That means an unchanged pack.

There had to be a change at centre. Corless, a regular there for the past two years, has been out of action with a hamstring injury. It is likely, in any case, that the selectors would have used this match to cast their net a little wider, and the choice of Warfield will come as a pleasant surprise only to those, such as myself, who have not seen him in action this season.

Winn, a former England wing who is fixtures secretary of Rosslyn Park, tells me that Warfield's strength and speed have brought an exciting new dimension to their back play in recent weeks. Warfield is a wholly committed schoolmaster at Christ's Hospital and it remains to be seen, if things go well for him at Twickenham, whether he can find the time for rugby at the top again.

One further change was obligatory through a frustrating hand injury to Caplan, the Headingley full back, who came in for Hignell in the last two England games and performed with elan. The selectors know all about Hignell, who has not started the new campaign with the heaviest roll of drums, and prefer instead to see what the lively Bushell can do. His potential as a long and accurate goal-kicker must have weighed in his favour.

A third change at scrum half reflects obvious concern about another problem position in the national side. The sturdy Gifford is a splendid runner behind rampant forwards, but he may need ro play an exceptionally effective all-round game to stop Young from returning to the team against New Zealand on November 25. By then, of course, Young's club colleague, Utley, may be strongly in contention again, and that would be a factor in Young's favour. Young has a good chance ro make his point at Headingley this evening, when he partners John Horton in the North Division team against the Argentines.

The choice of an unchanged pack, which threatens to be a rare handful for the opposition, confirms the selectors' confidence in the Cardiff captain, Nelmes, who has been in fine form. That means no place for Cowling, the Leicester loose-head prop forward whose international season ended with a dislocated shoulder in Paris last January.



Warfield: Back after a succession of knee injuries.

But, come the All Blacks, it must be a close-run thing between two powerful contenders.

Selection of the replacements affords a tangible sniff of higher honours for Cutter, the Harlequins prop, who played for the London Division last Saturday and it marks a return to official favour of Bennett, the London Welsh stand-off half. Bond, another reserve, played for England B in Romania in May, as did Bushell and Gifford.

ENGLAND XV: K. M. Bushell (Harlequins); P. J. Squires (Harrogate), P. J. Warfield (Rosslyn Park), P. A. Dodge (Leicester), M. A. C. Slemen (Liverpool); J. P. Horton (Bath), G. C. Gifford (Moseley); B. Nelmes (Cardiff), P. J. Wheeler (Leicester), F. E. Cotton (Sale), W. B. Beaumont (Fylde), M. Colclough (Angouleme), P. J. Dixon (Gosforth), J. P. Scott (Cardiff), M. Rafter (Bristol). Replacements: A. M. Bond (Sale), W. N. Bennett (London Welsh), M. Young (Gosforth), C. Mills (Gloucester), A. J. Cutter (Harlequins), R. J. Mordell (Rosslyn Park).

Warfield was staggered to learn that he had been chosen for England. "I can't understand why the selectors have chosen me", he said. "I have played only three first-class matches for Rosslyn Park this season and even though London and Under-23 coach, Pat Briggs, had a word with me about contesting for an England place this autumn, I have continued to play rugby solely for enjoyment.

"I have adopted a laissez-faire attitude to rugby this season and was prepared to regard anything else as a bonus. I planned to play only in Rosslyn Park merit table matches and for Sussex, before taking the game a bit more seriously after Christmas.

"My commitment here at Christ's Hospital is to teach history and divinity and to coach rugby, and before I assume it will be all right to go off and play for England, I will have to check with the headmaster."

There should not be problems, as the headmaster was the one at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, who allowed Gerald Davies and Majid Khan into the university when the policy was to clamp down on renowned sportsmen and go for academic qualifications only.

Boyd, who has played at full back for England's under-23 team, replaces Caplan in the North Division XV to meet the Argentines at Headingley tonight.

NORTH DIVISION: D. Boyd (West Hartlepool); P. J. Squires (Harrogate); A. M. Bond (Sale), W. Lyon (Orrell); M. C. Slemen (Liverpool); J. P. Horton (Bath); M. Young (Gosforth); F. Cotton (Sale); K. Pacey (Broughton Park); J. M. Bell (Gosforth); W. B. Beaumont (Fylde); J. Butler (Gosforth); P. Dixon (Gosforth); P. Moss (Orrell); A. Neary (Broughton Park).

ARGENTINES XV: M. Sansot; M. Campo, J. Trucco, R. Madero, A. Cangallaro; H. Porta, R. Landaio; E. Rodriguez, R. Soalon, H. Nicola; A. Lachetti, R. Panaglia, T. Peterson, C. Serrano, H. Silva.

County proposal hits trouble

By Peter West

A proposal from the county championship sub-committee of the Rugby Football Union that all matches in the competition must be played on a specified number of Saturdays has, predictably, run into trouble with London's major clubs. I believe the proposal will be put before the full committee of the union later this week, but London's senior clubs' committee have already agreed that they want no part of any such idea.

They are not prepared to give up three or four Saturdays for county football at a time of the season when the weather is generally good, when they have important merit table games or attractive fixtures against Welsh opposition. As an example Blackheath, through their press officer, Eric Franks, make it abundantly clear that they see no future for one of their Saturday games when, say, more than half their team are appearing for Kent.

The reaction of the senior metropolitan clubs to the suggestion that participation in the championship should be confined to players with an English qualification is a good deal more relaxed, and it includes that of the exiles—London Scottish, London Irish and London Welsh—who are saying they do not wish to obstruct plans for the building of the best England side. However, not unnaturally, they will press strongly for their own players to be included in representative XVs against touring teams.

On the issue of qualification, the attitude of the counties in the London Division is, again, predictably mixed. Middlesex and Surrey have always seen themselves as being cosmopolitan in character. For a long time they enjoyed the closest contacts with the exiles' clubs and their players, they can see how their strength will be impaired by the loss of those players, and they want to preserve a status quo.

Protracted negotiations are now likely. The feelings of Middlesex, certainly, and of the major clubs in London will be conveyed to higher places by the former RAF, Wasps and England lock, Peter Yarranton, who represents Middlesex on the RFU, is a member of its county championship club committee and also sits on the London senior clubs' committee as Wasps representative. Yarranton, wearing his RFU hat, has been enlightened enough to keep the major clubs well informed about sub-committee thinking, and is adamant that all concerned have a responsibility to sort out the problems in the best interests of English rugby.

"Nothing fundamental is going to change unless there are some fundamental changes", he observed with an interesting turn of phrase, "and it is absolutely certain that no one formula will please everybody: Everyone has to be ready to slacken the rope a bit. There will have to be some give and take."

The union should take heart from the fact that at least two London clubs, Richmond and Rosslyn Park, want them to revert as quickly as possible to the inter-divisional tournament introduced last season but abandoned this year because of incoming tours, and to give it an extended trial. But giving up two Saturdays for this in December they see as being a different thing altogether from surrendering three or four of them to county rugby earlier in the season.

Phil Bennett, the Wales and British Lions captain, has been brought into the Sportswriters Club XV to play in the Andrew Keeling match at Crystal Palace on Sunday. Bennett, originally a substitute, plays because of the enforced withdrawal of Scottish players required for their National party training at Murrayfield the same day.

Shooting

Americans consolidate lead

Seoul, Oct 3.—Denmark earned their first title of the forty-second world shooting championships here today while the United States, already winners of 12 golds, consolidated their lead at the head of the medal table. Three Danish women, Kirsten Brogc, Bonnie Bruun and Aase Havsteen, produced a combined score of 1,726 out of a possible 1,800 points to win the standard pistol 25-metre team championship. Australia took the silver medal, one point behind Denmark and United States were third, a further point away.

Kim Dyer, of United States, took the individual gold, only 10 points off the maximum mark, of 600, while Switzerland's Brida Beccarelli scored 584 to win the silver. Finland's Helvi Leppamarki came third after losing a shoot-off with Beccarelli.

RESULTS: Centre-fire pistol: 25-metre individual competition, 600): 1, S. Makinen (Finland), 592, 25-metre team (2,400): 1, Finland, 2,347; 6, Britain, 2,319. Trap team competition (600): 1, USA, 580. Women's standard small-bore rifle (50-metre three positions individual, 600): 1, W. Oliver (US), 580. Team competition (1,800): 1, United States, 1,705. Standard pistol 25-metre individual (600): 1, K. Dyer (US), 590. Team competition (1,800): 1, Denmark, 1,726; 6, Britain, 1,696. Trap team (450): 1, Italy, 387.

Medals table

	G	S	B
United States	16	5	2
Italy	5	3	4
W Germany	4	5	3
Switzerland	3	2	2
Finland	2	3	2
Sweden	2	1	3
Britain	1	4	3
Denmark	1	3	0
South Korea	1	2	1
France	1	0	1
Australia	0	2	1
Japan	0	1	0
Norway	0	1	0
Brazil	0	1	1
Spain	0	1	1
Argentina	0	0	2
Canada	0	0	1
Austria	0	0	1
Colombia	0	0	1
Guatemala	0	0	1

Tennis

MADRID: First round: J. Higueras beat R. McNamee, 6—3, 6—3; J. Kodes beat R. Drysdale, 6—1, 1—6, 6—1; Z. Franulovic beat A. Pillol, 6—3, 4—6, 6—4; C. Lewis beat G. Nunez, 6—2, 6—3; C. Dowdeswell beat I. Lendl, 4—6, 7—5, 6—3; T. Smid beat H. Benytk, 6—4, 6—3; R. Ycaza beat J. Feaver, 6—3, 1—6, 6—3; R. Kary beat W. Zirnoltz, 6—0, 5—6, 6—3; M. Orantes beat A. Brianenurt, 6—3, 6—3; I. Barazzutti beat J.-L. Halliet, 6—4, 7—6; I. Pillol beat R. Prajoux, 7—6, 6—3; J.-L. Clerc beat R. Ruberaind, 6—3, 6—1; J. Velasco beat S. Birner, 6—1, 3—6, 7—5; A. Panatta beat L.

Tennis

Miss Drury nicely placed

Cathy Drury, the former British under-21 champion, made a determined effort to keep Britain in the hunt for the international tournament, sponsored by Pernod, at Stevenage yesterday, when she beat Hagit Tzubari, of Israel, 7—5, 6—1.

Miss Drury is in a strong position to go forward to the knock-out quarter-final round and if she reaches the final it will mean her missing the flight to Florida on Saturday, with the rest of the British team for the Maureen Connolly Trophy. "I don't mind that. I am quite prepared to fly alone the next day providing I make the final", the Lincolnshire junior said

Miss Drury has asked for her group match against Petra Van Oyen, of West Germany, to go on early this morning, so that she can dash home to Lincolnshire and pick up her luggage for the American trip. Two more British team, Jo Durie and Hobbs, have a full week's pare because they have this second half of the tournament. Sweden are in front in the overall table

UNDER-21: Men: V. Kl Germany beat O. Van den W (Netherlands), 6—3, 6—1; Gren (Sweden) beat P. (France), 6—2, 6—3; H. (Sweden) beat P. Chiche 6—2, 6—3; E. Ewing (W beat B. Hibbert (NZ), 6— Women: P. Van Oyen (W. G beat Chevalier (France) 6—0; M. Parker (Net 6—3; J. Senn (Canada) T 6—3, 6—1; H. Bohm (Swed T. Lovin (Egypt), 6—4, 6 (Czechoslovakia) beat Moorlach (W. Germany), 6— M. Siegler beat N. Delalgue 7—5, 7—5.

OPEN: Men: M. West Hughesman, 6—3, 3—6, 6— (Scotland) beat N. Spat 6—4; K. Bilancew beat K 7—5, 6—3; J. Dier beat H 6—3, 6—3; Women: K. Bre F. Morlitt, 3—6, 6—3, 6—3.

Rugby League

Bamford and Ashton win coaching awards

Eric Ashton, of St Helens, and Maurice Bamford, of Halifax, are to receive £150 each as first winners of a new coach-of-the-month sponsorship scheme launched yesterday within the Rugby League. Sereena Sports have given £3,000 to be presented to the best coaches each month from the first and second divisions. The national coach, Laurie Gant, is to head the panel of judges and Brian Thirkell, Sereena's managing director, said yesterday

The Red Sox deserved better than this

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dynamism, but it turned out that his low-key approach was just what the feuding Yankees needed.

During the early part of the season they had been kept afloat largely by one man—a pitcher named Ron Guidry. A pitcher is equivalent to the bowler in cricket but one pitcher will perform for most of a whole game—and once taken off he cannot reenter that game.

Whenever Guidry was pitching—about one game in five—the Yankees were likely to win. In the season he won 24 games and lost only three.

Soon after Mr Lemon took over, other pitchers began winning games too, and the Yankees chipped away at the Red Sox lead. By the middle of last month, when the Yankees were due to play seven games against the Red Sox in quick succession, the lead was down to three.

Of the seven games, the first four were at Boston and quickly became known as the Boston massacre. The Yankees not only won them all but by derisory scores—15 to three, 13 to two and the like. The Red Sox, as they had done in previous seasons when they had jumped to an early lead, were cracking up.

They managed to win only the last of the seven games, in New York. The Yankees had gone to Boston three games behind, now they were two games ahead and there seemed to be no stopping them.

But in the last days of the regular season they too began to falter. They entered the last week just one game ahead. The Yankees and Boston both had five games to play that week, against indifferent opposition.

The Yankees won their first four, but so did Boston. The Yankees made a terrible hash of the fifth, but Boston won theirs easily. The regular season ended with both teams having won 99 of their 162 games and the sudden death playoff took place in Boston yesterday.

Guidry was pitching for the Yankees, but Boston had scored two off him by the seventh of the nine innings and the Yankees were scratching around, unable to score.

Suddenly Bucky Dent, fielder but normally unsel with the bat, cloured a, h with two men on base Yankees led by three-two, r increased it to five-two.

Another pitcher relieve and allowed the Red Sox two. They came to bat final inning just one run They got a man to thi but you need four bases a run, and the Yankees home by one.

Now the Yankees play City, the Western Divisio pions. For the American title. If they beat them N play the National Leagu pions and try to win thei successive World Series.

If I did not live in N I would feel desperately the Red Sox, who do not a who deserve better. I m feel, as do many disp commentators, that it wo good thing for baseball wealthy prima donnas w up the Yankees did not World Series again. Fu who wishes to stay health not express those sentir or around New York for week or two.

Now Gibso plays at full back for Ulster

Duncan Leopold, the Le Irish full back and captain, in the senior side in the Lei provincial trial in Dublin knowing Ireland are looking new full back. But on Saturda remarkable Michael Gibson full back for Ulster against shire after playing for Irelan stand-off half, centre and

Leopold returns to lead don Irish at Bristol on Sat where Bates is drafted into centre in place of McKi who appears for Ulster.

David Rollitt makes his county championship appea for Middlesex against Ke Sudbury today. Rollitt changed allegiance from Glo tershire and plays in the row alongside Alexander Mordell. Ripley moves into second row in place of Hes

Middlesex make two enf changes because the London tish pair, Friell and Wilson injured. Gordon comes in o wing and Ball takes over Wilson at stand-off.

The Northampton flanker will captain East Midlan tonight's match with Leic shire at Welford Road. He over the captaincy from the ford lock, Wilkinson, who strained knee liga Northampton, with six wins their opening seven games, vide 11 players for the Eas whom the Bedford sta Humberstone and the Stock Park lock Roach make their appearances.

Oxford University plan t floodlighting for the first this season in their prepar for the Varsity Match at Tw nam on December 12. Prelim work has been completed f installation of four floodligh training at their Iffley ground. This will ease pro for undergraduates who wi have to miss daytime tutori attend training sessions.

It will also enable their Leighton Williams, to attem supervise all training and ing. Previously his own ti duties had meant him m many afternoon sessions. new captain, Watkinson, played such a large pa Oxford's victory in the V Match with four penalty goa year, has since won a com battle to obtain financial pr for the lights ahead of planned improvements.

The Rosslyn Park centre field misses his club's home against Headingley on Sat Warfield, along with Park c Keith-Roach and prop fo Hinton, are guesting for a side against Cambridge Univ

Park are also without a Ackford, who attends a session with the English St in preparation for the against the Argentines on Oc 11. His place is taken b former Army player, Mi whose first senior game it wi The former England sta Wright is dropped and his is taken by a utility back A son.

Wood, the former Melros back, gets his first full gam London Scottish at Northam Wood, whose only appearance was as a replace against Orrell, takes over Grant who, with Stewart, is playing against Cambridge U sity. Coull, making his senior appearance, comes flanker for Stewart and hooker, Pickering, returns a three-week absence

Richmond make three cl from the side beaten 24— Rosslyn Park last Friday fo first home game of the against unbeaten London at Richmond Athletic G Half backs Preston and Pri return while Greenwood r Hearn at flanker.

The Saracens strengthen three-quarter line after their defeat at Leicester for the to Newbridge. Full back centre Worsfold and wing return while flanker Richa recalled to the back row.

Mort, who changed club Richmond last week, mak first appearance on the righ for Blackheath against Blackheath also have back from playing with Co Services to play inside him. recently returned from A plays his first game of the in his regular stand-off Blackheath's first merit game of the season.

Olympic Games

Sports Council criticized for taking 'backward steps' on two issues

itish athletes who want to pete in the 1980 Moscow Olym- Games will receive backing the Sports Council. The cil decided yesterday that it be up to the British Olympic ciation, the governing bodies port and the athletes them- s to decide whether the es should be boycotted over Soviet Union's treatment of its dents. The Council also de- l, at a three-hour meeting olwyn Bay, that the contro- al matter of sport sponsor- by the big tobacco companies ld be left to the governing s of the sports concerned.

th decisions brought swift and reaction from many of the cil members. Some spoke the meeting of the Council g "backward steps" by its al to take a firm and guiding on either issue. On the mat- f sports sponsorship by the co companies, Alan Pascoe, ternational hurdler, said that d not resign from the Coun- ly because the matter would iscussed again.

the Council's decision to the question of Britain's ipation or withdrawal from Moscow Olympics, Bernard one of the vice-chairmen, they had taken 10 steps back- ly not facing the issue. It provide financial backing for es who go to Moscow.

resolution had been put be- the Council from Laddy , a former MP and Walker aptain, calling for more talks er governments and the pic authorities before British es travelled to Moscow. But, a 15-minute debate, he with- his resolution on the ds that James Callaghan had ly in the House of Commons clear Britain's stand on the t Union's treatment of dissi- and participation in the s. Mr Lucas said the Prime Minister had said openly that there were no grounds for discussion.

Mr Lucas said after the meeting: "It would have been quite wrong for me to persist with the resolution under the circumstances. What I was seeking was consultation between governments and the Olympic authorities, but with the Prime Minister's ruling, there is no way that could happen. The responsibility is now the government's."

However, Mr Atha said: "We have taken another 10 steps back. This is another issue of which the Council is not prepared to voice its beliefs. Our duty is to give advice on all these matters. The Sports Council have not taken the opportunity to face the issue and make a statement."

There were more recriminations over the Council's decision by two to one to accept an amendment which left the question of the "ethical relations of sport and all products which might involve health hazards" to sports governing bodies. A resolution put by Mr Atha, which stated broadly that the Council accepted smoking was a health hazard and was, therefore, incompatible with the Council's aims of improving the nation's fitness and health, was lost in favour of the amendment.

After the meeting, during which smoking was banned, the chairman, Dick Jeeps, said: "I think that quite clearly we should have an opinion on issues such as smoking and, frankly, I am disappointed."

He said the question came down to whether the government was prepared to find the estimated £10m which tobacco companies will put into sport this year if tobacco sponsorship were to be banned. "I can assure you we shall be putting the ball back in the government's court. This is something we feel very strongly about," he added.

Pascoe said: "It is 10 steps backward. Only one thing stops me from resigning and that is that it is to come again in the future." Although there is a large majority of individuals against tobacco sponsorship, the Sports Council had not added its voice to a leading issue and, therefore, had no say on young people and Britain's future, he claimed.

Mr Atha said: "The Sports Council is not, in my view, undertaking the responsibility given by the Royal Charter." He said that the governing bodies of sport were now in an untenable position. But Mr Lucas said: "I believe it is up to the government whether or not there should be sponsorship and support by tobacco companies, in the same way they said whether there should be advertising of cigarettes on television.

"We are not law makers. The government makes the law. If the government says sponsorship is illegal, then it is up to them to provide the money." Mr Jeeps disclosed that the Council will this year be seeking £27m in support from the government.

Action on Smoking and Health said the decision by the senior body of sport was a "major disappointment to those concerned to reduce the immense damage to health caused by smoking," and said the decision was "short-sighted and weak". The council had "effectively sanctioned the continued use of sport to promote Britain's largest avoidable cause of death."

It was a "grotesque decision" from a body concerned with the well-being of the community. "Although some members were prepared to take a firm stand, it seems that the sheer financial muscle of the tobacco lobby has won the day," an ASH spokesman said. He added that ASH will be writing to the Council asking to present its case against sponsorship by tobacco companies at the Council's next meeting.

Racing

Devon Ditty's big heart fancied to produce all the right notes

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

A year ago the Cheveley Park Stakes was won by Sookera, a filly trained in Ireland by Dermot Weld and ridden for him by Wally Swinburn. Today that combination of trainer and jockey are after the same prize, which has been sponsored by the William Hill Organization for the sixth time, with Kilijaro, who ran away with the Phoenix Stakes at Phoenix Park in August.

Kilijaro was wearing blinkers for the first time in public that day and she will be wearing them again this afternoon. She will be a tough nut to crack if she is in a similar mood. But I just prefer Devon Ditty who impressed me so much when she won the Flying Childers Stakes at Doncaster on St Leger Day. That race confirmed that Devon Ditty had improved since she finished a length and a half behind Kilijaro in the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot.

The key horse in this line of argument is Greenland Park, who won the Queen Mary by a head from Kilijaro. In the last two months Devon Ditty has beaten Greenland Park twice: first at York and then again at Doncaster. At York she finished nearly two lengths ahead of her rival when receiving 3lb. At Doncaster Devon Ditty beat Greenland Park by threequarters of a length and they were carrying the same weight that day. It is possible that Kilijaro is a much better filly with blinkers than without them and she did not wear them at Ascot.

On the other hand anyone who watched Devon Ditty at Doncaster could hardly fail to be impressed because she won more easily than the result might suggest. She may not be very big but her heart is in the right place. Yesterday our Newmarket correspondent told me that Devon Ditty was in fine shape and that he is confident that she will give her backers a wonderful run for their money.

He also said that he is sure that Do Be Daring will run well, having watched her win her last race at Great Yarmouth. Apparently she toyed with her opponent that day. Before that Do Be Daring had finished third to Formulate at Goodwood and Formulate has drawn attention to that form by winning at Doncaster and Ascot since then.

Penny Blessing is another whose form has had a boost recently. After winning at Wolverhampton in July and at Nottingham in August she finished second to Ala-Mana-Mou at Lingfield Park, beaten by a length. Admittedly she was receiving 7lb from Ala-Mana-Mou that day but the merit of the performance is seen more clearly in the light of Ala-Mana-Mou's subsequent victory in the Royal Lodge Stakes at Ascot where he beat Troy and Lyphard's Wish. That was a good performance and one which suggests that Penny Blessing could be hard to beat now.

Silver Glimpse is trained in France for Tim Rogers by Francois Boutin. While I was there last weekend I got no encouragement to make me think she will win a race of this nature. Nor is there any to be found in the formbook. The race which Silver Glimpse won at Deauville was confined to maidens and she scrambled home in a desperate finish with two others.

It proved one thing though, and that was that Silver Glimpse stays seven furlongs well so she should be running on strongly towards the end of today's race which is a furlong shorter. Whether she has the speed to live with Devon Ditty or Kilijaro is debatable.

At Brighton Sander's Lad (2.15) and Hyver Hill (2.45) would seem to have good chances of winning their respective races and it would be nice too if Goblin could win the Steine Stakes for his enthusiastic owner, the playwright William Douglas-Home, especially so soon after his exasperatingly narrow defeat at Lingfield last week.


Birwood Lad wins the Limekiln Stakes at Goodwood after Murat (right) had made all the running.

Carson's first success as a breeder

William Carson, poised to regain the jockeys championship, had his first success as a racehorse breeder when Willie Sing won at Nottingham. Carson was at Goodwood, where he brought off a double, so John Lynch partnered the 9-2 favourite, Willie Sing, who struck the front two furlongs out and easily won the Sibthorpe Selling Stakes from Cosy Rosie and Wirral Way.

"Willie may be able to breed them, but he can't ride them!" Lynch quipped, referring to the fact that Carson had partnered Willie Sing unsuccessfully on three occasions. The colt's victory brought a change of fortune for the owner-trainer, Roger Murphy, who bought him at Doncaster Sales. "My stable has been plagued by the virus and this is my first winner of the season," he said.

Gin n' Lime was desperately unlucky when trying for a third win in 10 days in the Welbeck Handicap. Last of the 17 runners turning for home, the Middleham filly's saddle slipped. She still finished like a train to carry Jimmy Bleasdale within a neck of Castle Moon.

John Lowe, who shared in Castle Moon's triumph, made it a 339—1 double when he won the third division of the Carlton Maiden Stakes on a 33—1 shot, Jenny's Rocket, who won comfortably from Mantle.

Henry Cecil took his score for the season to 96 by winning the Bentinck Stakes with Antarna and then sending out Haven Bridge to capture the second division of the Carlton Maiden Stakes. Joe Mercer rode both the winners and is now only six short of his century.

Sharpenella, withdrawn after she slipped up leaving the paddock at Beverley last week—putting Eric Eldin out of action with a broken collar bone and severe bruising—failed to get to the start again for the Winthorpe Nursery. This time she showed a distinct aversion to blinkers being fitted and it was thought safer not to run her. Willydoo was found to be lame at the start and was also withdrawn, while Lorecane refused to race coming out of the stalls and virtually took no part.

Collect, who fought back after being headed by the joint-favourite Leader of the Pack to score by a neck, provided Henry Candy with his third winner in as many racing days.

STATE OF GOING (official): Brighton: Good to Firm. Ludlow: Firm. Newmarket: Good. Tomorrow: Taunton: Hard.

Carson meets success as rider and breeder

William Carson took a rare treble yesterday, riding Quiana and Falls of Lora successfully at Goodwood and breeding Willy Sing, who won the seller at Nottingham. This came only a few hours after he had shown the national hunt jockeys how to jump obstacles at the Horse of the Year Show at Wembley.

Carson has over 1,000 winners to his credit, but he was delighted about Willy Sing—the first horse he has ever bred. Quiana came home by a short head from the favourite Fancy Work in the Bexley Stakes and Carson was inclined to blame himself for coming too soon. But Quiana returned to the winners' enclosure dripping blood from a cut on her near fore leg, after kicking herself.

Quiana has now won twice from three starts for the actor Albert Finney, who also has the filly's half-brother by Right Tack coming into training. Quiana, following up a game win at Newbury, was well fancied at 2-1 but Mr Finney said: "I didn't have much on—my father was both a bookie and a backer and I know too much about the dangers."

Carson completed his riding double on Falls of Lora, who defied 9st 10lb in the Cocked Hat Handicap—but it might have been a different story if Lester Piggott had made the weight on Miss Mirage. The filly, carrying three pounds overweight, led inside the last quarter mile but was caught and beaten by half a length.

John Dunlop, the trainer of Falls of Lora, went on to complete his second double at the two-day meeting when Leopards Rock overcame a five-pound penalty in the Simonsdean Handicap.

Show jumping

Fletcher beats his brother-in-law

anda Macgregor-Morris

han Fletcher, riding Double y, defeated his brother-in- David Broome, on Philco in hilps Industries Stakes at ore of the Year Show at ley yesterday. His clear in 47.4sec was 4.4sec faster Broome's. Harvey Smith d third on Sanyo Cadnica ark Salvador).

z Igges, the popular West n, broke his collar-bone Faanitza fell with him at ph bar, reducing the Ger halenge. Jane Holderness- m won the Spillers' dressage uming novice class on Sir Hason's former show hun- le ix-year-old Sullivan, by Tanun. The open equiva- tayd in the same family, wo by Sir James's niece, phr Collins's wife, le, on Watertight.

firs of the showing classes, r small hunters, was judged : morning in the outdoor in wet and misty conditions produced a reasonable le of a cub hunting morn- Major Bishop came from d to judge the rides, nobly ring with a few recalcitrant until they settled, and Mr . of New Zealand, judged nation, supported by presi- the Hunters' Improvement John Cory.

ne yet know how Mr rats our horses in com- with those in his own ; I preferred not to ask is opinion of one British or who abused the judges he official veterinary sur- had confirmed their view is horse was lame, and it to be withdrawn.


Fletcher celebrated a victory on Double Brandy at Wembley.

Ballesteros out but Dunlop strong enough to survive

ter Ryde
Correspondent

out the avalanche of that sometimes precedes ournaments, Dunlop have led as strong a field as be expected at the St Pierre Chepstow, or their Masters nent today. It is strong to survive the blow of st minute withdrawal of no Ballesteros. First suspi- were aroused when he was from the party that flew n the world series of golf United States, a party which d Gary Player and Peter y, the British amateur ion, who are paired to- today.

gency message was the next ion but it was not until ternoon that a telegram Ballesteros's manager put the beyond doubt. His place in ecially invited field of 52 en taken by Malcolm Greg- The vexing aspect of the awal is that Dunlop have so extraordinary lengths to that this would not hap- After Ballesteros's absence the field in the past two

did not offer him appear- money, practice that has widely condemned and which, case, may not be tolerated longer, but they gave him other form of encourage- They even went as far as rt a clause into the agree- with the Professional Golf- ssociation and his manager n the event of his with- for reasons of health, he submit to an examination independent doctor. In the me, Ballesteros has returned to Spain suffering, accord- the telegram, from a severe nd exhaustion.

steros looked jaded a fort- ago in the Hennessey tour- t and is known to have been ntibiotics since then. Ken eld, of the European Play- urnament division, who was t during the world series, his out and said that Balle- had shown signs of weak- in the last two rounds.

Richard Brown, of Dunlop, said yesterday he did not disbelieve reports of Ballesteros being unwell but added that he would be unable to help feeling extremely annoyed if he teed up fully fit for the world match-play next week, an event which guarantees a minimum of £4,000 to those taking part.

The real culprit in such situations is the overcrowded schedule. Ballesteros is now continually under great pressure to appear in tournaments but he must realize that both his game and his reputation will suffer unless he learns to pace himself. The persons who should be most aware of that lesson should be those who manage the affairs of the top stars but, because of the nature of their jobs, they seem to be about the last to learn it.

In addition to Player, who has been so successful in the United States this year having won the Masters and strung together three successive victories, there are two others here this week who may have different feelings about the American tour. For the first time, Oosterhuis seems likely to be haunted by the spectre of qualifying for events next year, and Marsh, after a dazzling first appearance there last year, found the going much harder in the first half of this season.

Ballesteros's brother Manuel, has come into the field in the place of Bob Shearer, who has had a family bereavement. Others from Australia are Peter Thomson, a past winner, and Norman Gale. The field also includes four Americans—Melnyk, Byman, who has now obtained his player's card there, Eichelberger and Maltbie.

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4	377	4	13	219	3
5	438	4	14	526	5
6	150	3	15	303	4
7	456	4	16	429	4
8	315	4	17	424	4
9	439	4	18	215	3
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Home Run backed

liam Hill report further back- r Home Run the Cambridge- favourite, who is 6 to 1 7 to 1.

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rokes: 6-1 Home Run, 12-1 isi, 14-1 Dasma, 16-1 Baronet, y, Town and Country, 18-1 Nicolai.

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Sailcloth doubt

There is a doubt whether Sailcloth will be able to attempt to repeat his success of last year in the William Hill November Handicap at Doncaster next month.

His trainer, William Hastings-Bass, said at Nottingham today: "He pulled up lame after his work this morning. He may have only knocked himself but I will not know the extent of the injury until it is X-rayed tomorrow. I don't want people to back him until I know if he is fit enough to run."

Motor racing

Unique Sports Coupe is unveiled

Paris, Oct 3.—The German BMW Auto Company today unveiled a new high performance Sports Coupe, the M1, with a 160 mph top speed and a price tag touching $70,000. A BMW board member, H. E. Schönbeck, told a press conference the car was unique in having been conceived first for competition, and then developed into a hand-built, exclusive road-worthy auto".

A racing version of the M1 will be used for the new Procar racing series next year. Five Grand Prix drivers and 15 highly qualified private drivers will compete in identical cars on eight Grand Prix weekends, starting at Zolder in The Netherlands. The highly streamlined, two-seater will have a range of the basic 24-valve, twin camshaft central engine running from the 277 hp road cars through a 470 hp group four version for the Procar series, to a shattering 850 hp turbo-charged group five car. The latter, BMW said, will compete for the world championship for special production cars in the second half of 1979.

The delay is necessary for the production of 400 road M1s to qualify it for group five racing. Jochen Neerspach, a racing director, said it would then be built in about 200 units a year. The first 400 are likely to be sold mainly in Germany, with further cars going to markets in France and other European countries.—AP.

Olympic Games

Los Angeles cautious over appointments

Los Angeles, Oct 3.—Despite a contract with the International Olympic Committee to the contrary, Los Angeles may incur financial liability for the 1984 Games if city officials appoint the organizing committee. Mayor Tom Bradley's committee of civic leaders have decided that it would be unwise for the City Council to make the appointments.

"I just can't believe that the city council—which has been so diligent in insisting that there be no exposure of the city so far as these Games are concerned—would want to do anything that would expose the city to any possibility of liability", attorney Paul Ziffren, one of the members on the Mayor's committee, said.

John Argue, head of the Los Angeles Olympics Committee, said if the City Council appoint the members of the Olympics board, the city will then be responsible for the board's actions.

Ludlow NH

2.15 STRETTON HURDLE (Handicap: £318: 2m 1f 90yd)

230- Blakewin, 5-12-0 .. C. Pimlott
000- Sunflight, 5-11-13 .... —
00-4 Isabello, 5-11-0 .... S. O'Neill
p00 Will Hard, 3-10-13 M. Williams
0-40 Heron's Copper, 4-10-12 .. —
p3 Uncle Newby, 6-10-12 .... —
-400 Waveland, 4-10-9 .. P. Wiggins

5-2 Blakewin, 100-30 Sunflight, 9-1 Heron's Copper, 13-2 Isabello, 8-1 Will Hard, 10-1 Waveland, 12-1 Uncle Newby.

2.45 ONIBURY CHASE (Handicap: £949: 2m)

f0-3 Stanway Lad, 7-11-9 K. Whyte 4
0-11 Toussaint, 6-10-11 .. R. Crank
0-42 Collins, 9-10-0 ...... C. Price

8-11 Toussaint, 11-4 Stanway Lad, 7-2 Collins.

3.15 FRANK DALE CHASE (Handicap: £954: 3m)

011 Kelly's Hero, 10-11-7 J. Francome
p0-2 Ross Royal, 10-11-5 S. Morshead
00-4 Free Motion, 7-11-0 .. R. Crank

1-3 Kelly's Hero, 7-2 Free Motion, 4-1 Ross Royal.

3.45 ELTON NOVICES' HURDLE (Div I: 4-y-o: £368: 2m 1f 90yd)

400 Baron De Holland, 11-0 A. Webb 4
0- Bravette, 11-0 .. C. Roberts 7
0 Buddleigh Belle, 11-0 Mr Cambidge 7
034 Ragusa Imp, 11-0 .. C. Jones
00-0 Shahdik, 11-0 ...... R. Hyett
Sir Bryn, 11-0 .... —
0-00 Welsh Hero, 11-0 B. Wright 7
243 Yonder, 11-0 ...... J. Kear 7

7-4 Yonder, 5-2 Ragusa Imp, 5-1 Baron De Holland, 8-1 Welsh Hero, 9-1 Bravette, 12-1 Buddleigh Belle, 16-1 others.

4.15 RICHARDS CASTLE CHASE (£1,010: 2½m)

40-0 Gay Kempley, 11-12-0 R. Davies
-311 Super Slave, 10-11-2 R. Evans
201 Gay God, 8-10-8 .... P. Tuck 7
b10- Madison, 11-10-4 .... G. Jones
423 Leeann Lad, 5-10-0 M. Charles 7
p25- Mostly Music, 7-10-0 ...... —
33p Paddy's Best, 10-10-0 M. Brisbourne 4

Evens Super Slave, 100-30 Gay God, 8-1 Gay Kempley, 8-1 Leeann Lad, 10-1 Mostly Music, 14-1 Paddy's Best.

4.45 ELTON NOVICES' HURDLE (Div II: 4-y-o: £364: 2m 1f 90yd)

u- Crest, 11-0 ...... Mr Fowler 7
-203 Gin N' Lime, 11-0 D. Billings 7
-000 Hally Boy, 11-0 ...... B. Hyett
0 Moon's Lass, 11-0 .. C. Astbury
33f Perfune, 11-0 .. S. Smith-Eccles
000 Popy Fields, 11-0 Mr Cambidge 7
3- Rich Encounter, 11-0 R. Crank
Sovereigns Jubilee, 11-0 N. Tinkler
p Uncle Calpi, 11-0 .... C. Price

11-4 Gin N' Lime, 7-2 Perfune, 4-1 Rich Encounter, 5-1 Moon's Lass, 12-1 Sovereigns Jubilee, 16-1 others.

LUDLOW SELECTIONS: 2.15 Sunflight. 2.45 Toussaint. 3.15 Kelly's Hero. 3.45 Yonder. 4.15 Super Slave. 4.45 Gin N' Lime.

Sedgefield NH

1.45: 1. Seatak (8-15); 2. Lady Mowbray (3-1); 3. Romany Lace (8-1). 4 ran.

2.15: 1. Sing Man (7-4); 2. Jubilee Gift (12-1); 3. Young Horn (11-1). No Bombs evens fav. 10 ran.

2.45: 1. Laen (6-5 fav); 2. Alcock (4-1); 3. Continhugh (14-1). 8 ran.

3.15: 1. Kilberight (4-1); 2. Tallshire Beverly (7-2); 3. Gray Magic (5-6). 10 ran.

3.45: 1. Four Star (8-11); 2. Toughie (33-1); 3. Just Spider (25-1). 6 ran.

4.15: 1. Eximious (9-4); 2. Chumolaori (11-2); 3. Pellonius (11-10 fav) 6 ran.

4.45: 1. Jerry Horn (6-1); 2. Nun Burn (5-1); 3. Northern Support (9-2). Bynad (4-1 fav). 11 ran.

Goodwood results

2.0 (2.3) BEXLEY STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £1,592: 5f)

Quiana, b f, by Huntercombe—Arriva (A. Finney), 9-0 W. Carson (2-1) 1
Fancy Work .. J. Reid (6-5 fav) 2
Papbilla .... J. Matthias (10-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 15-2 Portola (4th), 16-1 Charlie's Mansie, 33-1 Haskala. 6 ran.

TOTE: Win, 28p; places, 23p, 14p; dual forecast, 20p. J. Sutcliffe, Epsom. Sh hd, 2½l. 1min 00.62sec. Heather's Girl did not run.

2.30 (2.35) LIMEKILN STAKES (2-y-o: £2,523: 7f)

Birwood Lad, b c, by Mummy's Pet—Madame Birwood (F. Zimmern), 8-6 car 8-7 R. Weaver (10-1) 1
Murat ...... W. Carson (8-13) 2
The Nail ...... L. Piggott (5-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 20-1 Rare Symphony (4th), 33-1 Viking Prince, Polygon. 6 ran.

TOTE: Win, £1.45; places, 30p, 11p; dual forecast, 88p. G. Balding, Weyhill. 2l, 2½l. 1min 31.14sec.

3.00 (3.3) PHEASANTRY STAKES (3-y-o: £1,433: 1m).

Happy Hector, b c, by Sovereign Path—Sweet Serenade (R. Khan), 9-0 .... E. Hide (6-1) 1
Silver Bay .. L. Piggott (9-1) 2
Lustrose J. Matthias (4-1 fav) 3

ALSO RAN: 6-1 Great Glto, 13-2 Atrobes, Multiply (4th), 14-1 Crown Estate, 16-1 Jonenn, Monastery, 25-1 Ankamsky, 33-1 Reformed, Diamond Jane. 12 ran.

TOTE: Win, 36p; places, 14p, 25p, 19p; dual forecast, £1.81. C. Brittain, Newmarket. 1½l, 2l. 1min 42.72sec. Caribs Love did not run.

3.30 (3.35) COCKED HAT HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,774: 1m)

Falls of Lora, br f, by Scottish Rifle—Ruddy Duck (A. Struthers) 9-10 ...... W. Carson (5-2) 1
Miss Mirage .. L. Piggott (9-2) 2
Robbie Lad P. Young (2-1 fav) 3

ALSO RAN: 5-1 Lady Abernant, 12-1 Going for Gold. 5 ran.

TOTE: Win, 35p; dual forecast, 49p. J. Dunlop, Arundel. ½l, 1½l. 2min 41.96sec.

4.0 (4.5) SETTRINGTON HANDICAP (3-y-o: £3,260: 2¼m)

Smariset, b c, by Martinmas—Tess (G. Ward), 9-1 .. J. Reid (3-1) 1
Northleach .. W. Carson (5-2 fav) 2
Rifle Brigade, L. Piggott (4-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 7-1 Pakeha, 8-1 Luz Bay, 10-1 Glenjade, 13-1 Tarzan (4th), 20-1 Jack Splendid. 8 ran.

TOTE: Win, 35p; places, 11p, 13p, 14p; dual forecast, 36p. J. Winter, Newmarket. 1min 40.95sec. ½l, 3l.

4.30 (4.33) SIMONSDEAN HANDICAP (£1,679: 1½m)

Leopard's Rock, b g, by Huntercombe—Reina Cristina (Mrs N. Lequime), 4-8-4 R. Muddle (5-2 fav) 1
Il Padrone .... W. Carson (5-1) 2
Hampshire ...... J. Reid (11-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 3-1 Gypsy Castle, 11-2 St Braivele (4th), 9-1 The Hertford, 14-1 Roaming Cloud. 7 ran.

TOTE: Win, 43; places, 18p, 18p; dual forecast, 61p. J. Dunlop, Arundel. 2min 11.77sec. ½l, ½l.

TOTE DOUBLE: Happy Hector, Smariset, £16.10. TREBLE: Birwood Lad, Falls of Lora, Leopard's Rock, £111.30. Jackpot: Not Won. Placepot: £2.80.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: Champion Stakes, Newmarket: Sausage, Harris Hill Stakes, Newbury: Combine Harvester, Piper Play, Jazzman. All engagements (dead): Marsyl, Subsidise.

Nottingham results

2.0 (2.2) MICHAELMAS APPRENTICES HANDICAP (£1,182: 1m 2f)

Mary Reppin, b f, by Jimmy Reppin—Chimer (B. Chambers) 4-7-9 M. Banner (10-1) 1
Brig of Ayr S. McCormack (9-2 fav) 2
Little Newmarket N. Brannick (16-1) 2
Golden Gayle .. N. Troup (11-1) 4

ALS RAN: 5-1 Lucky Seventeen, 8-1 Good Fellow, 10-1 Chennel Lane, 12-1 Matnas Saba, 20-1 Honey Harfat, Tops Love, 25-1 Coriace, Mon Beaux, Norton Falcon, Fille d'Amour, Tabernacle, Royal Major, Nusaro, Catch Me Up, Sylvan d'Or. 20 ran. Lobelia and Tudor Maesho did not run.

TOTE: win, 88p; places, 26p, 12p, 31p, 17p; dual forecast, £1.54. C. Crossley at Wirral. 2½l, sh hd.

2.30 (2.35) SIBTHORPE STAKES (2-y-o: £604: 1m 50yd)

Willie Sing, br c, by Mansingh—Hay Hay (R. Murphy) 8-11 J. Lynch (9-2 fav) 1
Cosy Rosie ...... C. Moss (7-1) 2
Wirral Way .... E. Apter (11-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 5-1 Graylane (4th), Gleeming Lady, 6-1 Sparkler Supreme, 10-1 Grange Hill Lady, 14-1 High Echo, Princess Gianpa, 16-1 Pollys Folly, 20-1 Major Crisp, Loyal and Regal, Play the Flute, Purrlea Atoll. 14 ran.

TOTE: win, 42p; places, 17p, 26p, 72p; dual forecast, 90p. R. Murphy at Wellington. 5l, ½l.

3.0 (3.04) WINTHORPE NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £2,281: 6f)

Collect, b c, by Song—Couloir, (Maj M. Wyatt), 8-9 P. Waldron (8-1) 1
Leader of the Pack A. Kimberley (5-1 jt fav) 2
Foothams Flyer .. T. Ives (7-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 5-1 jt fav City Link Lass, 8-1 Barocchetto, 10-1 Honlara, Spy Chief, Angus Pride, 14-1 Santa-claire, 20-1 Spellbound, 33-1 Jeanne du Barry, Pretty Prompt, Lorecane (refused to race), Spanish Visit (4th). 14 ran. Swynford Paddocks did not run.

TOTE: Win, 82p; places, 25p, 11p, 41p; dual forecast, £1.86. H. Candy, at Wantage. 5l, 3l. Willydoo (14-1) and Sharpenella (16-1) withdraw (rule 4 does not apply).

3.30 (3.34) CARLTON STAKES (Div I: 2-y-o fillies: £1,023: 6f)

Village Voice, gr f, by Town Crier—Wrong Direction (L. Gatto-Roissard), 8-11 A. Bond (5-1) 1
Nollan ...... J. Lynch (12-1) 2
Winning Shot G. Baxter (4-1 fav) 3

ALSO RAN: 6-1 Brierley Lodge, Flin Flon, 8-1 Elsa Clara, 12-1 Maygold, Scumper, 14-1 Hannah's Bar, 20-1 Morse Princess, 25-1 Miss Admington (4th), 33-1 Abielle, Diamboddi, Jubilee Dancer, Miss Honeypenny, Singh Sprite. 16 ran.

TOTE: Win, £1.50; places, 41p, £1.93, 11p; dual forecast, £9.14. W. Hastings-Bass, at Newmarket. 5l, sh hd.

4.0 (4.1) WELBECK HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,532: 1m 5f)

Castle Moon, gr f, by Kalamoun—Fotheringay (Lavinia, Duchess of Norfolk), 8-8 J. Lowes (9-1) 1
Gin and Lime J. Bleasdale (2-1 fav) 2
Lobela ...... K. Darley (16-1) 3
Prince Yayo .. B. Rouse (16-1) 4

ALSO RAN: 6-1 Caraquenga, 9-1 Nourmahal, 10-1 Watch Out, 14-1 La Pampa, Space Special, 16-1 Avon Salmon, L O Harry, 20-1 Ash Hill, 25-1 Milk and Honey, 33-1 Wingau, Ktr. Meron, Champagne Party. 17 ran.

TOTE: Win, 98p; places, 30p, 11p, 11p, 97p; dual forecast, £1.50. J. Dunlop at Arundel. Nk, ½l.

4.30 (4.32) BENTINCK STAKES (£1,588: 1m 2f)

Antarna, b f, by Filiberto—Almyra (D. Wildenstein), 3-8-9 J. Mercer (11-1) 1
Silk Fashion .. J. Blanks (33-1) 2
Viscount ...... E. Johnson (9-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 2-1 jt fav Lequard (4th), Narmina, 12-1 Red Letter, 16-1 Time Was, 25-1 Richard, 50-1 Halls Treasure, Alpine Alice, Old Fleece, River Jordon, Royal Tour, Amputator, Zagros. 15 ran. Peace Symbol and Pearl Noir did not run.

TOTE: Win, 76p; places, 34p, 72p, 13p; dual forecast, £29.19. H. Cecil at Newmarket. 5l, sh hd.

4.55 (4.58) CARLTON STAKES (Div II: 2-y-o fillies: £1,023: 6f)

Haven Bridge, ch f, by Connaught—Mockbridge (Exors of the late Sir J. Hornung), 8-11 J. Mercer (11-8 fav) 1
Gauloise ...... G. Baxter (7-2) 2
Bryony Ash .. S. Eccles (12-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 8-1 Carnival Dance (4th), 14-1 Easter Girl, Miss Belgravia, Trolley, 20-1 Sherwood Lass, 25-1 Red Ragusa, Sherwood, 33-1 Alto Sax (rider unseated in stalls, took no part), Carlbrice, 50-1 Mrs McNicholas, Nymphet, Maerope, Walmari. 16 ran.

TOTE: Win, 21p; places, 11p, 13p, 73p; dual forecast, 58p. H. Cecil, at Newmarket. 5l, 1½l.

5.20 (5.24) CARLTON STAKES (Div III: 2-y-o fillies: £1,019: 6f)

Jennys Rocket, ch f, by Roan Rocket—Debach Game (H. French), 8-11 J. Lowe (33-1) 1
Mantle .... W. Wharton (6-1) 2
Ballfiee .. A. Kimberley (16-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav Yelming, 11-2 Second Swallow, 6-1 Safeguard, 12-1 Nana Bloom, 16-1 Eliza's Sister, Rockaway, 20-1 Harpers Girl, 33-1 Chaperon, Crimson Satin, Fair Balmoral, Miss Hardwick, Wheatley, Within Reach. 16 ran.

TOTE: Win, £3.63; places, 73p, 20p, 29p; dual forecast, £22.19. N. Adam, at Bescaby. 3l, 1½l.

TOTE DOUBLE: Collect, Castle Moon, £16.05. TREBLE: Willie Sing, Village Voice, Antarna, £24.75.

Newmarket programme

[Television (IBA): 3.35 and 4.10 races]

2.0 LONSDALE STAKES (2-y-o: £1,959: 7f)

1 023200 As Wise (B), B. Hills, 8-11 .... — 11
2 000 China Station, R. Armstrong, 8-11 .... — 19
3 000 Diamond Ray, S. Wainwright, 8-11 .... — 7
4 040 Galaxy Taurus, R. Hannon, 8-11 .... B. Rouse 15
8 044430 Magic Kit, M. E. Francis, 8-11 .... W. Carson 20
9 03004 Riodoro (B), C. Britain, 8-11 .... E. Hide 6
11 00 The Stirrer, C. Nelson, 8-11 .... T. Rogers 2
12 000023 Three Sons, C. Hill, 8-11 .... R. Curant 17
13 000 Woodcote Park, D. Whelan, 8-11 .... — 22
14 000340 Beckingale, D. Dale, 8-8 .... — 11
16 0004 Fort Lonesome (B), D. Sasso, 8-8 .... G. Duffield 8
17 000 Great Fonzerelli, B. Swift, 8-8 .... — 10
18 Hopeful Hylda, P. Kelleway, 8-8 .... — 23
19 00 Hottie Birbeck, P. Cole, 8-8 .... G. Starkey 14
20 0200 Jubilee Saint, Miss S. Hall, 8-8 .... M. Birch 9
22 000200 Paronias, R. Hobson, 8-8 .... M. Wigham 4
23 000 Play Packer, P. Cundell, 8-8 .... J. Reid 13
24 400230 Tahani, R. Boss, 8-8 .... L. Piggott 3
25 032322 Thauling, T. Fairhurst, 8-8 .... C. Eccleston 21
26 Time For Smiles, P. Haslam, 8-8 .... D. McKeown 7 12
27 000440 Tellers Rose, A. Davison, 8-8 .... — 18
28 0 West Mon, W. Marshall, 8-8 .... R. Marshall 5
30 000 Worlington, H. Wragg, 8-8 .... F. Durr 1

7-2 Tahani, 4-1 As Wise, 6-1 Magic Kit, 8-1 Three Sons, Thauling, 10-1 Worlington, Fort Lonesome, 12-1 Galaxy Taurus, Great Fonzerelli, China Station, 20-1 others.

2.30 PHANTOM HOUSE HANDICAP (£3,475: 6f)

201 024-040 Future Forest (D), W. H. Williams, 5-10-0 A. Kimberley 8
202 000000 Private Line (B,D), C. Brittain, 5-9-8 .... E. Hide 13
204 216-000 Fast Colour (D), Thomson Jones, 3-9-4 .... K. Darley 3 11
206 000000 Jon George (B,CD), J. Bingham, 4-9-1 .... B. Raymond 12
207 102002 Cedar Grange (D), C. Bewicke, 4-9-1 .... J. Reid 6
208 000200 Jimmy The Singer (B,CD), B. Lunness, 5-9-0 G. Starkey 3
209 0-00011 Saltation (D), Thomson Jones, 3-9-0 .... B. House 10
210 130000 Right of Light (B,D), P. Makin, 4-8-13 .... W. Carson 17
211 000000 Swinging Sam (D), R. Armstrong, 5-8-13 .... L. Piggott 16
212 102004 Doctor Wall (CD), J. Tree, 5-8-10 .... S. Raymont 5 20
214 003400 Smoke Singer (D), P. Kelleway, 3-8-8 .... — 9
215 1-14003 Shuffling (CD), W. H.-Bass, 7-8-7 .... J. Mercer 4
216 431211 Pilley Green (D), J. Dunlop, 3-8-6 .... R. Muddle 5 5
217 000100 Skin Deep (D), B. Hanbury, 5-8-1 .... R. Curant 15
219 002140 School Road (B,D), B. Hobbs, 4-7-12 .... C. Rodrigues 5 19
220 210000 Overseas Admiral (D), J. Winter, 4-7-11 .... J. Lowe 3
222 000020 Nice Value, R. Hollinshead, 4-7-10 .... M. Wigham 1
225 041-13 Springy, L. Cumani, 3-7-9 .... M. L. Thomas 18
227 300000 Pangilma (B), A. Goodwill, 5-7-8 .... — 14
228 111310 Classy Dame (B,D), J. W. Watts, 3-7-7 .... A. Mercer 5 7

11-4 Saltation, 4-1 Jimmy the Singer, 9-2 Cedar Grange, 6-1 Pilley Green, 8-1 Springy, Shuffling, 10-1 Private Line, Classy Dame, 12-1 Future Forest, 20-1 others.

3.0 QUY STAKES (3-y-o maiden fillies: £1,752: 1½m)

301 02 Almagest, J. Dunlop, 8-11 .... W. Swinburn 8
303 0-0400 Calling Low (B), N. Vigors, 8-11 .... B. Rouse 11
304 0-004 Carie Princesse, R. Armstrong, 8-11 .... L. Piggott 3
305 000030 Great Optimist, G. P.-Gordon, 8-11 .... G. Duffield 10
306 Hallowkiln, J. Dunlop, 8-11 .... R. Muddle 5 6
307 0-0 Kalila (B), R. Jarvis, 8-11 .... M. L. Thomas 9
308 22-0033 Kelly's Corner, R. Houghton, 8-11 .... J. Reid 3
310 42 Majan, J. Hindley, 8-11 .... A. Kimberley 15
311 02 Malmaison, J. Winter, 8-11 .... W. Carson 13
313 000 Miss Jovian, C. Brittain, 8-11 .... E. Hide 14
314 000000 Mrs Dumbfounded, R. Hollinshead, 8-11 .... — 2
315 000 Never Lost, R. Armstrong, 8-11 .... — 4
316 03-400 Pagan Queen, H. Wragg, 8-11 .... J. Mercer 7
319 3- Spring Up, L. Cumani, 8-11 .... G. Starkey 5
320 322340 Takarabune, M. Jarvis, 8-11 .... B. Raymond 12

9-4 Spring Up, 11-4 Malmaison, 9-2 Kelly's Corner, 6-1 Majan, 8-1 Pagan Queen, 10-1 Almagest, 12-1 Takarabune, 20-1 others.

3.35 WILLIAM HILL CHEVELEY PARK STAKES (Group I: 2-y-o fillies: £31,460: 6f)

401 011040 Argentina Bound, W. H. Williams, 8-11 .... M. Birch 8
403 131111 Devon Ditty (D), Thomson Jones, 8-11 .... G. Starkey 7
404 231 Do Be Daring, L. Cumani, 8-11 .... L. Piggott 2
405 03121 Kilijaro (B), D. Weld, 8-11 .... W. Swinburn 6
406 121000 Mi Favorita (B), D. Sasso, 8-11 .... B. Rouse 3
408 -230112 Penny Blessing, R. Houghton, 8-11 .... J. Reid 9
409 212412 Shy Talk, N. Adam, 8-11 .... M. Wigham 1
410 11 Silver Glimpse, F. Boutin, 8-11 .... P. Paquet 5
411 104 Topsy (D), H. Wragg, 8-11 .... W. Carson 4

11-8 Kilijaro, 7-4 Devon Ditty, 4-1 Silver Glimpse, 12-1 Do Be Daring, 16-1 others.

4.10 DRY CANE HANDICAP (2-y-o: £3,615: 1m)

502 04120 Arizona Pie (B), J. Hindley, 9-5 .... J. Mercer 4
504 001334 Miss Demean, W. Marshall, 9-2 .... P. Perkins 1
505 401110- Sound Type, M. Stoute, 9-0 .... F. Durr 3
506 01 Baptism, J. Tree, 8-13 .... L. Piggott 23
507 301332 Show Appeal, B. Hanbury, 8-13 .... R. Muddle 5 11
508 002331 Dibbinsdale Lad (B,D), C. Crossley, 8-13 .... — 12
509 313004 Top of the Charts (B), B. Hills, 8-11 .... P. D'Arcy 7 7
510 103212 Admiral Grenville (C), G. Harwood, 8-11 .... G. Starkey 8
512 01 Ribomil, T. Marshall, 8-9 .... D. McKay 10
513 000322 Red Jay, W. Marshall, 8-9 .... R. Marshall 9
515 0233 Barley Hill, B. Hobbs, 8-8 .... E. Hide 14
518 001240 Rabha, J. Hardy, 8-6 .... P. Madden 21
519 304201 Northend (D), H. Collingridge, 8-6 .... C. Nutter 5 15
520 034 Boys Division, R. Houghton, 8-6 .... J. Reid 22
521 033 Birch Grove, N. Callaghan, 8-5 .... R. Still 19
522 21000 Leo Vert, C. Bewicke, 8-5 .... — 3
523 002033 Manston Marauder, R. Hannon, 8-4 .... F. Durr 18
524 001302 Dras Lass, Mrs R. Lomax, 8-3 .... — 2
525 00300 Chetinkaya, P. Mitchell, 8-3 .... W. R. Swinburn 7 16
526 40001 Queens Holt, N. Callaghan, 8-1 .... W. Carson 17
527 400030 Prince Holon, A. Goodwill, 7-8 .... K. Darley 3 6
528 0330 Phobia (B), R. Armstrong, 7-7 .... B. Crossley 7 13
529 001000 Charig's Company, C. Hill, 7-7 .... C. Leonard 20

9-2 Sound Type, 6-1 Baptism, 7-1 Admiral Grenville, 8-1 Queens Holt, Arizona Pie, 9-1 Ribomil, 10-1 Barley Hill, Show Appeal, 12-1 Birch Grove, 16-1 Boys Division, Top of the Charts, 20-1 others.

4.40 EXNING HANDICAP (3-y-o: £3,184: 1½m)

601 012010 Palemon (D), W. Hern, 10-0 .... B. Raymond 3
603 011111 Tesoro Mio (D), J. Etherington, 9-12 .... E. Hide 11
604 2010 Chop Gate (D), J. Tree, 9-11 .... S. Raymont 5 10
605 321131 Heroic (B,D), W. Hern, 9-9 .... W. Carson 5
606 210000 Top of the Class, B. Hills, 9-9 .... P. D'Arcy 7 4
607 042104 Kalimir (D), L. Cumani, 9-5 .... L. Piggott 1
608 001234 Parrot Fashion (C,D), R. Akehurst, 9-3 .... G. Starkey 8
610 010330 Tumbler (B,D), C. P.-Hoblyn, 8-13 .... G. Duffield 7
612 001200 Haddfan, J. Dunlop, 8-13 .... B. Rouse 2
614 401320 Cothill, M. Smyly, 8-5 .... J. Reid 6
615 31000 Irish Noble, D. Smith, 9-0 .... M. L. Thomas 6

15-8 Heroic, 5-2 Tesoro Mio, 4-1 Palemon, 6-1 Chop Gate, 8-1 Kalimir, 10-1 Top of the Class, 12-1 Cothill, 16-1 others.

Newmarket selections

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2.0 Riodoro. 2.30 Springy. 3.0 Spring Up. 3.35 DEVON DITTY is specially recommended. 4.10 Queen's Holt. 4.40 Heroic.

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Brighton programme

1.45 WATERHALL HANDICAP (£727: 1m)

3 04-0000 Winged Typhoon (B,D), V. Cross, 6-9-13 .... A. Bond 2
4 1000-00 Red Fox, C. Fryer, 6-9-12 .... S. Spondlove 6
8 002- Ginger Ken, Mrs L. Dingwall, 6-9-5 .... M. Stroud 5
11 0-00010 Cutler (D), A. Moore, 3-9-3 .... — 12
12 023344 Doughty, T. M. Jones, 4-9-2 .... A. Cousins 7
13 022203 Speedy Willow, E. Reavey, 3-9-2 .... J. Lynch 10
15 322100 Silari (CD), W. Wildman, 4-8-11 .... P. O'Leary 4
16 00-0001 Lend An Ear (B,D), J. Walker, 14-8-10 .... — 8
19 000403 Supreme Appeal, C. Nelson, 3-8-4 .... P. Cook 6
20 040000 Rama, J. O'Donoghue, 3-8-3 .... B. Jago 3
31 0-00000 Where's Henry, A. Neaves, 3-8-2 .... S. Eccles 3 11

7-2 Doughty, 4-1 Speedy Willow, 9-2 Winged Typhoon, 5-1 Red Fox, 6-1 Cutler, 8-1 Supreme Appeal, 10-1 Silari, 12-1 others.

2.15 RACE HILL STAKES (2-y-o: £1,502: 6f)

1 011000 Saintly Princess, G. Hunter, 9-4 .... J. Blanks 7
3 000410 Ratan Boy (B), J. Sutcliffe, 9-3 .... B. Taylor 8
4 142003 Sander's Lad (D), P. Cole, 9-3 .... G. Baxter 3
8 0 Friendly Trio, J. Dunlop, 8-11 .... F. Morby 4
9 030004 La-Don (B), R. Hannon, 8-11 .... J. Matthias 6
13 033 Standaan, C. Brittain, 8-11 .... P. Cook 2
14 0 Taras, J. Dunlop, 8-11 .... S. McCormack 7 5
15 000 Pepina, M. Haynes, 8-8 .... — 1

4-9 Sander's Lad, 5-1 Standaan, 8-1 La-Don, 12-1 Ratan Boy, Saintly Princess, 16-1 others.

2.45 ERIC SIMMS MEMORIAL HANDICAP (£2,817: 7f)

1 0-20001 Hyver Hill (C), P. Cole, 4-10-0 .... G. Baxter 14
2 000020 Major Bee, N. Vigors, 8-9-11 .... P. Cook 8
3 010000 Pipedreamer (B), H. Candy, 3-9-6 .... P. Waldron 12
6 011321 Banco (D), R. Houghton, 3-9-3 .... F. Morby 6
7 023033 Albert Hall, R. Boss, 3-9-1 .... — 3
8 021070 Burma Pink (B,CD), G. Harwood, 5-9-1 .... J. Matthias 4
9 003014 Popular Win (D), H. Price, 3-9-1 .... J. Blanks 9
11 003400 Royal Diver, R. Hannon, 4-8-7 .... — 5
15 300020 Showpiece, D. Keith, 4-8-0 .... Eileen McGuffey 7
16 031233 Eve (D), T. Molony, 6-7-11 .... S. Parr 7 6
18 204100 Gimri (D), C. Benstead, 5-7-9 .... R. Street 1
20 031000 Eastern Palace (B,CD), E. Beeson, 4-7-7 .... S. Salmon 10
23 2-00000 Hanan, D. Laing, 5-7-7 .... N. Howe 11
25 000000 Another Chapter, Mrs L. Dingwall, 4-7-7 .... R. Fox 13

100-30 Banco, 4-1 Albert Hall, 9-2 Hyver Hill, 6-1 Burma Pink, Popular Win, 8-1 Gimri, 12-1 Eve, 14-1 others.

3.15 STEINE STAKES (3-y-o: £2,043: 1m 2f)

1 040002 Goblin, W. Wightman, 9-12 .... P. Waldron 4
3 003040 Main Ingredient (B), P. Cole, 9-5 .... G. Baxter 3
4 032220 Reparation (B), G. Hunter, 9-5 .... J. Lynch 5
5 303004 Glinting, M. Stoute, 9-2 .... B. Taylor 2
6 323202 Partnerplan, M. Masson, 8-7 .... A. Bond 1
8 0-00000 Flashing Smile, Pat Mitchell, 8-4 .... — 6

5-4 Goblin, 11-4 Glinting, 11-2 Reparation, 8-1 Main Ingredient, 10-1 Partnerplan, 20-1 Flashing Smile.

3.45 TELSCOMBE HANDICAP (£1,381: 1m 4f)

2 300122 Marakas (D), R. Smyth, 4-9-5 .... K. Pinnington 3
3 141310 Assurance, G. Harwood, 5-9-3 .... P. Waldron 9
4 040000- Grand Trianon, J. Gifford, 6-8-13 .... B. Taylor 4
5 301121 Trillionaire, J. Dunlop, 3-8-10 .... F. Morby 7
7 232310 Valdee (C), Miss A. Sinclair, 3-8-6 .... J. Matthias 6
9 021111 Hang-on Elvis (B,C-D), N. Callaghan, 3-8-5 .... — 8
11 434101 Ribolane (C-D), R. Hannon, 3-8-2 .... — 5
13 0-00113 Semantic, H. Candy, 3-7-12 .... W. Newnes 1
22 02-4400 Pretty Girl, H. Westbrook, 4-7-7 .... R. Street 2

3-1 Hang-on Elvis, 4-1 Trillionaire, 5-1 Marakas, 11-2 Assurance, 6-1 Ribolane, 8-1 Semantic, Valdee, 14-1 others.

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1 401001 Compound (D), Mrs N. Birch, 4-9-8 .... R. Street 13
2 123 Philogyny (C), H. Price, 3-9-2 .... B. Taylor 3
4 000200 Balante (B,D), S. Woodman, 4-8-13 .... R. Fox 9
7 030041 Sweet Relief (D), G. Harwood, 3-8-10 .... P. Waldron 8
10 303-00 Horace Martin, C. Brittain, 3-8-5 .... — 7
11 040000 Merlions (B), M. Haynes, 3-8-5 .... — 11
13 002420 Premier Mal (B), J. Powney, 3-8-5 .... P. Cook 12
14 3-00020 Turbo, M. Masson, 3-8-5 .... A. Bond 10
15 0-03000 Bretagne (B), G. Hunter, 3-8-2 .... J. Lynch 1
17 43-4404 Habibi, P. Cole, 3-8-2 .... G. Baxter 5
18 002000 Lady of the Night (B), A. Ingham, 3-8-2 .... J. Blanks 2
19 2-00004 Repercussion, R. Hannon, 3-8-2 .... F. Morby 6
22 000000 Young Amanda (B), C. Benstead, 3-8-2 .... — 4

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Eric Heffer on why tomorrow's move for more open government must succeed

The official secrecy that does nobody any good

Tomorrow the Labour conference will discuss the question of a Freedom of Information Act. The debate takes place at an opportune time, following as it does, the publication of the Bingham Report on the evasion of Rhodesian oil sanctions. That report fails to answer some important questions and surely underlines the need for a Freedom of Information Act.

In its 1974 October general election manifesto the Labour Party committed the Government to "replace the Official Secrets Act by a measure to put the burden on the public authorities to justify withholding information". So far, that commitment has been avoided, which is why Merlyn Rees, the Home Secretary, had such a rough time recently in the House of Commons when he introduced the Government White Paper on Official Secrets.

The demand for more open government and for greater freedom of information has grown in the past few decades. Because there has been a spread of higher education, the people no longer believe that Whitehall civil servants and governments always know best. They demand to know how decisions are arrived at, and on what basic information they have been made.

The National Executive of the Labour Party is presenting a statement and a draft Freedom of Information Bill to conference which opens with these words, "In a democracy the ultimate sovereignty belongs to the electorate. As such, the democratic principle goes beyond doctrines of ministerial responsibility and parliamentary control, important though these are.

"Democracy entitles citizens to be involved in all the process of government and must be founded more on trust in the people by governments than in the trust of the people in the governing elites. Democracy is the exception rather than the rule in the modern world. It is a radical and revolutionary concept, feared by those who would wield illegitimate power and unacceptable to oligarchies and authoritarians alike."

It is important to stress that Freedom of Information Acts do not exist in any of the East European Communist controlled countries where there is no easy access to information and no real involvement by the people in decision-making. If Labour wanted to create an East European type society, as Mrs Thatcher suggests, they would not be calling for such an Act. The recent TUC/Labour Party Liaison Committee document "The Next Three Years and Into the Eighties" reiterates the need for a wider democracy, and says, "We believe, however that the Official Secrets Act should be replaced by a measure to put the burden on the public authorities to justify withholding information".

There are many reasons why a Freedom of Information Act is essential. For example the opening up of the processes of government can only lead to better government. It is quite wrong for the public not to be as well informed as certain favoured academics, who themselves have less access to information than junior ministers, who in their turn have less real information than Cabinet ministers, who too often are less well informed than leading civil servants. A recent article in *The Times* underlined this point when it revealed that there were senior civil servants who, towards the end of the Second World War, failed to let Prime Minister Churchill have certain documents and information about Jewish refugees, knowing him to be sympathetic to their plight, by by-passing him and dealing with the problem "administratively". If Churchill could be by-passed, at that time, there is no reason to believe that such administrative action is not still taking place.

Democratic governments who believe they can only govern by consent have absolutely nothing to gain by a policy of secrecy. If strict secrecy is maintained about the Government, and about the exercise of power by individuals and institutions, there is always a danger of cynicism developing towards the democratic process. Secrecy may be a weapon which suits weak ministers and weak local authority councillors, at the same time helping strong bureaucracies. It is, however, of no advantage to those ministers and public servants who wish to see a powerful and vigorous democracy.

When the Official Secrets Act of 1911 went through Parliament, it did so without proper discussion. It is drafted in the most general terms and subsequent amendments have not improved it. The Franks Committee Report of 1972 said of Section 2 that it was "a mess. Its scope is enormously wide. Any law which impinges on the freedom of information in a democracy should be more tightly drawn. . . . The drafting and interpretation are obscure. People are not sure what it means or how it operates in practice, or what kinds of action involve real risk of prosecution under it".

Franks proposed that Section 2 of the Act should be replaced by an Official Information Act which would provide for certain criminal prosecutions, and as far as espionage was concerned, this should be dealt with separately.

Until recently, when newspapers and journalists have been increasingly threatened and prosecuted, the Official Secrets Act has been used primarily to prosecute Crown servants and a few others who have received information which may or may not have been known to be unauthorized communications. My experience in government has led me to the view that secrecy is undoubtedly encouraged by some ministers and higher civil servants, as it gives them a feeling of power and of being in the know. Yet most of the documents I saw could easily have been made public.

The myth that Cabinet decisions are unanimous, that differences do not exist between ministers and Departments of State is absurd. It is surely right for the public to know when ministers disagree and to know the nature of the arguments being used. At the moment, the media mostly relies on leaks and tit-bits of information which can all too often be unscrupulously used by those who may have a particular axe to grind. At its worst, secrecy can foster corruption. However, even when corruption is not involved, the withholding of information gives rise to suspicion, to a belief that there is something to hide, and that mistakes are being covered up.

The Labour Party NEC draft Freedom of Information Bill which was drawn up without the assistance of parliamentary draftsmen can undoubtedly be improved. Nevertheless, it is a serious attempt to deal with the issues involved. It is based upon Freedom of Information Acts already in operation in countries such as the United States and Sweden. Our draft, however, does not slavishly follow the American and Swedish models, and has been adapted to our own political and parliamentary system.

The main principle of the Bill is that public authorities such as government departments, nationalized industries, local and police authorities as well as other public bodies, should be required to make available certain broad categories of information. It is fully recognized, however, that there is a need to protect the privacy of individuals, that information which could be used by commercial competitors should be safeguarded, and genuine questions of security should be excluded.

There will of course be many objections to such a Bill, one of which will be its cost. In a recent debate in the House of Commons on Official Secrets, much was made of the cost of the United States Freedom of Information Act. It was also claimed that it had resulted in more secrecy, not less. I do not deny that there are many complexities to be debated. No progressive measure has ever got onto the Statute Book without great debate and serious opposition. Those who seek to maintain the status quo and who believe that our present system of government is the best of all possible worlds, will naturally oppose such a Bill. That is why the Conservative Opposition have never officially committed themselves to introduce such a measure.

Such a Bill could be introduced in the next session of Parliament. Labour Party MPs would support it, as would the Liberals and possibly others. It is one of the more positive measures which the Government could get through before the next general election is called. I hope, therefore, that in the event of Labour's conference endorsing the NEC statement, the Cabinet will respond immediately.

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The man to put planners on the map



Professor Gordon Cherry: for the occasion.

Of all the professions, th planning is perhaps today most discredited. Planner widely seen as interf bureaucrats, determined override all opposition, u ing to listen to the voic protest that might di their neatly ordered bluep and restrained in the last only by the ultimate safeg of the democratic process.

But planners are not, o whole, to be blamed for t own unpopularity. Their as conceived in the early of this century was to t some order into the spra chaos of Victorian towns cities, to improve living tions and to introduce th cept of land use zoning.

Few people foresaw the tical and economic quences that would ensu modern planner needs a be an economist, a socio and an architect. When something as apparently u and parochial as a management scheme, or housing estate, needs looked at in terms of its on local employment, sho hospitals and schools, small wonder that pla sometimes lose patience amenity groups who obsessed with their own diate interests.

In view of the glare favourable publicity in w planners are unwillingly to bask, it is unfortunat their professional bod Royal Town Planning Inst has until now eschewd limelight. Compared wit the Royal Institute of Architects, or the Roy stitution of Chartered veyors, it has a long wa in promoting its prof status.

The institute's new presid Professor Gordon Cherry, is to give his inaugural add today, may well prove be just the man for occasion. An amiable ad culate Yorkshireman, he made his name as an autho academic, with interests ra from politics and histor sport and recreation.

His overriding concern is the profession should she image of what le "obstructive negativism" believes that planners' c burion to improved livin ditions, health and amenit containment of urban s and the protection of countryside has been ser underrated.

But their role has cha and is still changing too r for their training to a Taught to think in terms purely physical environ they are confronted with of economic growth or th of it; profound changes employment and social ture; drastically reduced lation forecasts, combine the growth of ethnic com ties

The pace of chang proved bewildering. he out. What one generatio as progress, the next s disaster. The planner is to respond to public ences, but must later be consequences. It is a which, as Professor will tell the institute he and his colleagues perhaps no longer be ex to bear, at least not alo

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The pipes are going out all over Blackpool





Putting an end to the smoke signals: Miss Joan Lestor shows Mr Ron Hayward she means business. Before the ban, Mr Ian Mikardo puffs on.

On a day when the Labour Party conference has voted by a majority of two to one against the Labour Government's wages policy (the themes of brotherhood and unity having been introduced earlier when the delegate from the local party assigned to extend a welcome to the Prime Minister interpreted this fraternal duty in a manner sufficiently flexible to allow him to warn the Prime Minister that he was in danger of being told to get stuffed), it may seem perverse of me to concentrate on a resolution, moved by a representative of the Post Office Engineering Workers' Union on behalf of the NEC, calling for a total ban on smoking in the conference hall. Further suggestions of perversity on my part may arise from the fact that, as will shortly become apparent, I claim to detect a link between this episode and the activities of the Nigerian Ambassador to the United Nations. However, if you will bide a little, all will become clear.

The motion prohibiting smoking in the conference hall was carried overwhelmingly on a show of hands I don't suppose the ban will be heeded for more than a few hours, and indeed I don't suppose that it was seriously expected to be (if only because of an acute shortage of volunteers for the task of telling the larger and more flat-nosed dockworkers in the TGWU delegation to put their cigarettes out), but it is the fact that the motion was carried without opposition or even discussion that interests me, and will no doubt interest the Nigerian Ambassador to the United Nations if he should ever get to hear about it.

I do not smoke, apart from an occasional after-dinner cigar, and I dislike the smell of cigarette-smoke, particularly when there is a great deal of it around me. I believe that smoking is injurious to health, although I have some sympathy with the attitude implied by the late Iain Macleod when, as Minister of Health, he was introducing yet another medical report on the connexion between smoking and lung cancer, and said that he had heard of a man who had become so worried by what he had read of the dangers of smoking that he had given up reading.

On the other hand, there is the ancient principle of live and let live, and I begin to wonder what has become of it. I wonder particularly, I may say, in this particular connexion, because the degree of intolerant fanaticism now widely displayed by those who want to prevent other people smoking is not only unpleasant in itself, as intolerance and fanaticism always are, but disproportionate, to the point of lunacy, to the offence. As it happens, Mr Brian Stanley, who introduced the no-smoking motion at the Labour conference, appears to have done it with good humour and none of the horrid zeal so often displayed by anti-smoking proselytizers; all the same, I regret that the NEC ever considered such a motion, I regret that they recommended its acceptance to the conference, and I regret that the conference passed it. (My own union conference, which I attended in April as a delegate, had such a motion before it, and robustly threw it out.)

I see the growing harassment of smokers as another sign of the generally growing tendency to do people good against their will. The Nanny State has been with us for a long time, but it is now showing its long, bony nose into more and more areas once thought reserved for individual decision, and we seem to be losing, more and more rapidly, the power to give Nanny the message that the Blackpool delegate, in his speech of welcome, felt obliged to pass on to Mr Callaghan.

The Nigerian Ambassador to the United Nations may seem to be remote from this question, but he has just been complaining in his capacity as Chairman of the United Nations Committee Against Apartheid that some countries, including Britain, have been allowing their citizens to receive letters from South Africa bearing stamps issued by the government of the Transkei. Since the United Nations General Assembly has expressed disapproval of the Transkei, it follows that the Transkei does not exist, its stamps ought to be declared universally invalid, and letters bearing them either refused admission to all civilized countries or surcharged as though they bore no postage at all.

To this gentleman, too, the *mot de Blackpool* might properly be addressed, and for much the same reason; I am no more interested in philately than in smoking, but no doubt there are those who wish to add a range of Transkei stamps to their collection; others merely wish to receive letters from their friends and relatives in that place. But some clown with time on his hands and an interfering disposition is not content to leave them to pursue such harmless activities in peace, and I daresay that there will shortly be a discreet announcement in Britain to the effect that Transkei stamps are no longer considered valid on letters received in this country.

I forget which ancient nation provided that any legislator proposing a new measure must do so with a rope around his neck, and that if his proposal was defeated by his fellow-lawmakers he was immediately to be strangled. True, in Britain we are rather more in need of a system under which prompt execution is the fate of those putting forward in Parliament measures which are passed, but the principle is the important thing; the principle is that the world is already amply supplied with enactments forbidding people to do that which they wish to do, or obliging them to do that which they do not wish to do, or—in many cases—both.

On the whole, and unless suffering from extreme provocation, I do no murders, I rob no banks, I practise no cannibalism, I give no nuclear secrets to hostile powers, I commit no indecent assaults. And I consider that the prohibition against these actions is a reasonable one. Nor do I smoke; but I consider the increasing prohibition against that act not only unreasonable, but indicative of a general tendency which will, if it is not checked, end by prohibiting things of very considerably greater moment. I hope the Labour Party conference, in its remaining sessions, will ignore the no-smoking provisions, and I hope that the Nigerian Ambassador to the United Nations will shortly find something better to occupy his time than interfering with the Transkei postal service.

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CAIRO DIARY

Every stranger is taken for an Israeli today

These days you only have to walk down a Cairo street carrying a tape-recorder and a microphone to be asked if you work for Israeli radio. The question is put not with suspicion or animosity, but with that barely concealed delight which the Egyptians reserve for anything new, rare or unusual.

Walk into a shoe shop on Sherif Pasha Street and the shopkeeper will give you a sidelong, slightly mischievous glance before walking over and saying, quite quietly, "Shalom". Then he will stand and wait with his eyes fixed on you like a mad ornithologist hunting an extinct bird, to see if he really has discovered a live Israeli in his shop.

There is even a wild rumour sweeping town that the Israelis are already looking for an embassy here. Planeloads of Israeli architects, you are told, have flown into Cairo just to examine a building site on Zamalek island—the detail is always there to add authenticity to the story.

However, in spite of the rumour, the only Israelis here are four journalists working out of the Nile Hilton Hotel. Each has a visa personally approved by President Sadat and every day they receive phone calls from their newsdesks in Tel Aviv. When a call went astray last week one of the reporters darkly suggested that this may have been deliberate—but she clearly had a lot to learn about Cairo's famous telephone system.

For much of the day now, it takes an hour just to obtain a ringing tone on a local connexion and, for ordinary subscribers, an average delay on overseas calls runs up to three weeks. The United States has just committed $40m (£20m) to improve Egypt's telephone system, and it is not difficult to see why. When the city workmen tear up the pavements in the midsummer heat to mend broken sewers in central Cairo a glance into their dirt pit will reveal an umbilical labyrinth of ancient telephone wires, rotten electric cables and water pipes all wrapped around each other in merry confusion.

Furthermore, many of the international operators can speak only Arabic and some have an unusual—not to say exotic—idea of world geography. London is sometimes judged to be a city in the United States and, for some reason, British country towns are popularly believed to be in the Far East.

Cities beginning with an identical series of letters are assumed to be only a few miles from each other. Thus a call of mine to Dublin last week was put through to an astonished subscriber in the emirates city of Dubai (approximately 5,000 miles out), on the happy assumption that the two places must have something in common. Presumably the operators have a better idea of the location of Tel Aviv.

At any rate, Cairenes could hardly forget the man who fostered their new-found friendship for Israel, even if they did not read their daily papers. You have only to drive into Cairo from the city's overcrowded airport to be faced with giant billboards bearing the face of Anwar Sadat. "For God and Sadat", says one, while others recall the victories of the 1973 war.

But it is the faces of the President rather than slogans that one remembers. There is Sadat the President, in business suit and of sombre visage: there is Sadat the genial Everyman beaming down on his people: there is also a Sadat in military uniform staring into the sky with a look of determination and remarkably resembling a 1940 Battle of Britain pilot waiting for the Messerschmitts to arrive.

Considering the amount of time he wastes in traffic jams, the average Cairene is in a unique position to appreciate these portraits. At rush hours (and in Cairo, the rush hour can last up to 18 hours a day), it can take four hours just to move three and a half miles through part of the old city: and packed into the fumes at up to 100°F (38°C), tempers can get very short.

Trapped in my car in a particularly evil jam near Talaat Haarb Square a few days ago, I noticed a middle-aged Egyptian in an ancient limousine grinning across from the other side of the road. "In this madhouse you need a tank to get through the city", he shouted in Arabic and good-naturedly banged his fist on the iron flank of his decrepit Chevrolet. At which point a driver behind me lost patience with the queue and gently drove his own car into the back of *The Times*'s snappy little blue Fiat which was propelled, at some small velocity, into the rear of a bus. In Cairo, it pays to drive with your brakes on.

You can, of course, always travel by bus, although if Israel does nothing else to assist Egypt's chaotic economy it should at least allow its Eged bus company to get to work on Egypt's transportation system.

A tram freak's dream, it long ago ceased to cope with Cairo's staggering population explosion. On the diesel-engined buses, passengers have for years been forced to travel home by clutching on to the roof and window frames outside the vehicle (fare-collection is out of the question).

A year ago, the authorities announced the acquisition of 2,000 new buses, but in the meantime a new breed of commuter has come into being who never actually makes contact with the vehicle which takes him home. Because when he travels, he is holding on to the person who is holding on to the outside of the bus.



When the Cairene is wearing sunglasses and carrying a black plastic briefcase—the two great status symbols of the city's *nouveau riche*—then the acrobatics have to be more skilled. The only other symbol that counts, an airline ticket (which also implies that you have money outside Egypt), is only for the very narrow percentage of the population which earns more than £100 a month.

Even so, they may find themselves flying on Egyptair, the country's national airline, whose stewardesses utter one of the world's great mind-blowers every time they land in Egypt. "Ladies and gentlemen", they announce on the very final approach, "in a few moments we shall be landing at Cairo international airport—if Allah wills". It's always the same line, and you can understand the sentiment. But there are times when one would rather they did not say it.

The gap between rich and poor in Cairo is perhaps what the Israelis notice most. The big hotels with their high walls and their security police have become castles of privilege for those who want to drop in for dinner from their homes at Heliopolis or Maardi. The suburbs may be declining like the rest of Cairo, but those who live in Heliopolis or Maardi do not have to crumble into the streets with the old tenements that surround their occupants.

You have only to see the thousands of homeless living through the City of the Dead—to understand the economic pressures that President Sadat is under to make a peace agreement with Israel.

In a curious way, Cairo is so old, so vast, so huge and with so many insoluble social problems that even the incredible peace with Israel seems to have passed over the place without much of a mark. In parts of the city, there are as many posters advertising the Cannes film festival as there are advertising the Camp David agreements. The Meridien Hotel cheerfully advertises a Greek week—but what the sweating businessman thinks when he hears "Opa" and "Ouzo" booming across the magnificent waters of the Nile from the loudspeakers is one of the great unsolved mysteries of Egyptian history.

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TRINIDAD and TOBAGO

cel Berlins recently visited the islands ee how they have achieved one of the st growing economies in the Carib-. In this Special Report he examines achievements and problems that have d Dr Eric Williams who has dominated political scene since the islands gained government in 1956.





Tranquil palm trees at Maracas Bay, Trinidad, and a young man with drive who never misses the chance of a game of cricket.

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lans may not always ; there have been istakes in planning ilures in implementa- ut the Government's ion is beyond doubt. ric Williams has dom- Trnidad and Tobago 95, when it attained self-governing status. He was its Prime Minister when it achieved independence in 1962, and when, with Sir Ellis Clarke as its first President, it became a republic two years ago. A man of intellectual brilliance, Dr Williams is deeply respected and admired, but is perhaps too aloof and remote to inspire the love of his people. His public appearances are few and usually formal.

Alone of the dwindling band of black leaders who took their countries out of colonial rule during the 1950s and 1960s, Dr Williams has managed to retain his command and authority without injuring the country's democratic traditions. Trinidad and Tobago has free, regular and uncorrupt elections; no political prisoners; and a free and, on occasion, highly critical press. One weekly publication, *The Bomb*, outdoes *Private Eye* in its mixture of satire, invective, excellent investigative journalism and frequent disclosure of a scandal.

The judicial system is firmly based on the English example (including the wearing of wigs by barristers—even in a temperature of 90°), and, like the English system, it creaks and wheezes from time to time. Delays by the courts in giving judgments, and insufficient legal aid, are sources of controversy and discontent at the moment.

The country has a constitution and Bill of Rights but still uses the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council as its final arbiter on law. It seems content to retain that link, notwithstanding two recent adverse decisions. There is some debate on the possibility of establishing a Caribbean court of appeal instead, but the general view is that it will come to little.

Dr Williams has never been in any danger of being toppled at the polls. (His only precarious moment came during the Black Power unrest in 1970.) In the last election, in 1976, his People's National Movement (PNM) won 24 of the 36 seats in the House of Representatives (the lower house). Ten seats were won by the official opposition, the United Labour Front (ULF) under Mr Basdeo Panday, and the other two—both the Tobago seats—went against the Government mainly as a protest against what the people of Tobago considered to be the lack of attention to their little island.

The Government has responded by plans to give Tobago greater autonomy. The two Tobago representatives (one of them, Mr. A. N. R. Robinson, once the country's Deputy Prime Minister and thought to be Dr Williams's heir apparent) have broken their alliance, and the United Labour Front has also split down the middle. The two factions are now quarrelling about the right to use the party emblem.

The ULF's success in winning 10 seats, a quarter of the vote demonstrated one of Trinidad and Tobago's many complexities. All the seats were in the predominantly Indian rural sugar-belt seats, whereas the PNM won all the urban seats, mainly Negro. Indians, the descendants of indentured labourers, make up, according to official statistics, 40 per cent of the population. Negroes account for 43 per cent, the rest being whites, Chinese and "mixed race" (14 per cent).

On the whole Trinidad and Tobago is an harmonious, tolerant, multi-ethnic society. Yet voting in elections is to an obvious extent along racial lines. It is also true that Indians have a disproportionate share of the commercial activity, and of membership of the professions; many of them retain distinctive religious beliefs and customs. The Negro Trinidadian dominates the Government and the Civil Service. There is a sense of mutual suspicion, but it should not be exaggerated, and intermarriage and cultural crossfertilization are increasing.

Trinidad and Tobago's Government is open. It has a capacity for realistic appraisal of achievement and self-criticism. There is little attempt to minimize difficulties or shortcomings. Dr Williams's merciless analyses of under-achievement in particular sectors, or by departments or institutions, has resulted in many state servants going into obscurity. Dr Williams expresses his disappointments freely and is equally open in seeking remedies.

He is advised by a greater array of standing and ad hoc councils, commissions, committees and inquiries than seems possible in a country so small. His principal think-tank is the National Advisory Council, which includes academics and high-powered representatives of various important groups. A coordinating task force advises on and monitors national activity and other task forces deal with specific issues.

On the economic front, of course, Trinidad and Tobago has been supremely fortunate. A quotation from Dr Williams, though taken out of context at the time, has become almost a national slogan: "Money is no problem." The country has about $TT4,000m in foreign reserves, annual revenue of about $TT2,500m, and a surplus in trade and balance of payments. A satisfactory growth rate, investment profitability and the ability to raise loans internationally or find foreign partners for local industrial projects complete the picture.

But, as the Government knows, money does not solve all problems. Inflation is running at nearly 12 per cent and unemployment at about 13 or 14 per cent. Some of the workless are thought to be work-shy, unemployable, or too proud to take jobs they consider beneath them. Indeed, the average Trinidadian's less than enthusiastic work attitude is considered by the Government, industry and business to be a retarding factor. A government "special works" scheme has, it is usually agreed, contributed to laziness rather than the opposite.

The Government has reacted prudently to the new wealth. It has chosen to put much of its revenue into long-term aims. Instead of planning to sell all its energy resources abroad, it tries to ensure that those resources, especially gas, are used to develop the country's own industry.

Nevertheless, there have been imbalances and paradoxes. "We sometimes regret that everything happened so quickly", an economist commented. "It might have been better if our good fortune had come gradually, so that we could have planned our direction under less pressure." A highly placed government official added: "You cannot make everything perfect in five years, however much money you have."

With a booming construction industry involved in big industrial projects and expensive private housing work, government housing schemes for the poor have fallen below needs and targets. As more business and commerce require communications, the telephone system gets worse and worse, so that it is estimated that only one telephone call out of between six and 10 attempts gets the number dialled.

A natural gas pipeline across Trinidad from the offshore fields is constructed with ease, but there are seemingly permanent potholes in the main streets of Port of Spain, and the road system is inadequate. The country has the fifth largest ownership of cars a head in the world, well ahead of any other developing nation, and yet tens of thousands of people have trouble in getting a proper water supply.

New school buildings are going up apace, but there are insufficient teachers to impart the knowledge and skills that would fit children for jobs in the new industries. Good agricultural land lies unused, while the country imports foodstuffs it could grow.

The Government knows all this, and has plans for roads, telephones, water, agriculture, housing, and technical education. Trinidad and Tobago has made a good start in its economic revolution, but five years have not been enough.

Pools win goes to millionaire

"It is as if we had won a huge fortune on the football pools and were then told that a millionaire uncle we never knew about had left us all his money", was one civil servant's description of Trinidad and Tobago's double stroke of luck. In fact, the two events did not come all that close together. Oil was discovered as long ago as 1857, and first exported in 1910.

The pools win happened in 1973, with the increase in prices that brought Trinidad and Tobago, although not a member of Opec, the benefit of Opec prices, and instant wealth. Natural gas, the millionaire's testacy, was discovered in 1968, and although in money terms it has not yet contributed much to the country's financial resources, it will probably in the longer term be the more important asset.

The difference between the two is that while the production of crude oil has, according to all estimates, reached its peak, and will over the next quarter century decline to modest proportions, natural gas has enough reserves to take it well into the next century, even at the maximum projected rate of use.

In 1977, production of crude oil was nearly 84 million barrels, an average of about 230,000 a day. Results so far suggest that 1978 will be at about the same level. In the years following, according to official estimates, it will start dropping, coming down to a daily average of 181,000 barrels in 1982.

The largest producer is Amoco, with about 45 million barrels last year. Trinidad Northern Areas produced 16 million barrels, then came Texaco (seven million), Trinidad-Tesoro (seven million), and Trintoc, with three million barrels.

Altogether petroleum product exports last year amounted to $TT4,793m. But $TT2,340m of that was accounted for by oil of non-Trinidadian origin exported under processing agreements. Amoco dominated the export of crude oil. Other companies concentrated on the export of refined oil products, which amounted to 82 million barrels. Texaco, with a huge modern refinery at Pointe-à-Pierre, on Trinidad's west coast, was responsible for most of it; all but a tiny fraction of the rest was exported by the only other company to have a refinery, the government-owned Trintoc.

Capacity at the two refineries, however, is being underused in spite of the lucrative reprocessing agreements with Saudi Arabia, Iran and Indonesia. Of the country's 400 million barrel capacity, throughput in 1977 was only 100 million.

It is ironic that with all that spare refinery facility in Trinidad, Amoco exports all its crude oil. The trend in refining is towards increasingly advanced methods providing higher quality products, and Trintoc is adapting its refinery in that more profitable direction.

Another noticeable trend of the last year or two has been the attempt to reverse the shift away from land-drilling. Trinidad-Tesoro has recently been granted a new area for land-drilling, and the other two companies with land operations, Trintoc and Texaco, are also expected to intensify their efforts.

The Government has been providing incentives for land-drilling which, although making up only 20 per cent of total oil production, gives work to about 70 per cent of the 14,000 people employed in the oil industry.

Offshire, recent exploration has proved promising and more areas are becoming available, mainly made up of surrendered but not necessarily uncommercial fields. In spite of the long-term downward production trend (which could be halted by one major discovery in a hitherto unexplored area) profitability is likely to remain substantial.

Quite apart from the profits being made by the oil companies themselves, the Trinidad and Tobago Government received $TT1,773m in revenue from petroleum last year, made up of taxes, levies and royalties. That figure was two thirds of all government revenue.

Estimates of the natural gas reserves off the north and south-east coasts of Trinidad vary greatly, and the Government is awaiting another report, commissioned from external experts. The conservative estimate is for a figure between 8,500,000 million and 10,000,000 million cu ft, though more optimistic studies have suggested amounts up to five times as much.

To put it another way, under one of the estimates thought by the Government to be close to the mark more than 1,000 million cu ft of gas can be produced daily for more than 40 years. That does not take into account any further discoveries, which are almost certain.

Last year the relatively small amount of 150 million cu ft a day was produced, (about a third through Amoco, which discovered the gas originally), enough to meet local demand. That figure is expected to rise sharply when the country's industrialization plans—which are aimed specifically at using natural gas resources—become fully operative. Ultimately, local needs may require 500 million cu ft a day. But that would still leave a considerable surplus.

The Government plans to export that surplus in the form of liquid natural gas. Earlier this year Dr Williams, the Prime Minister, signed an agreement with the United States companies Peoples Gas and Tenneco to look into the feasibility of setting up an lng plant in the new industrial complex at Point Lisas.

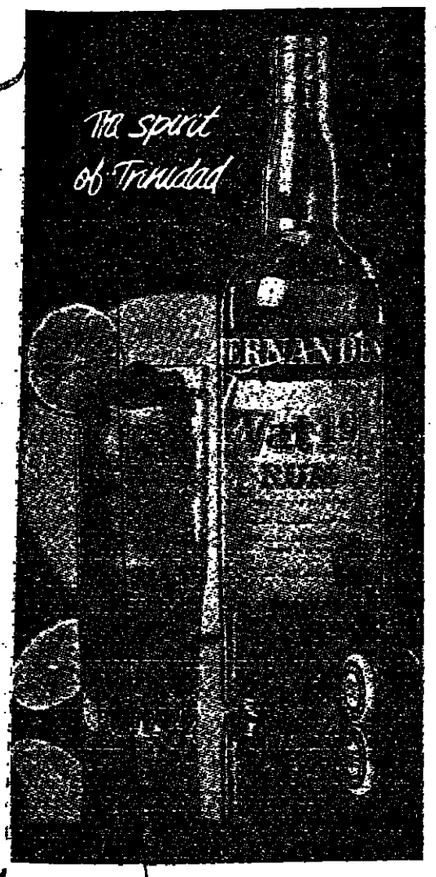
The liquefaction plant would have to be accompanied by the construction of the highly specialized cryogenic tankers in which the lng is transported. The capital cost of a 500 million cu ft capacity plant, and tankers, has been estimated at about £300m.

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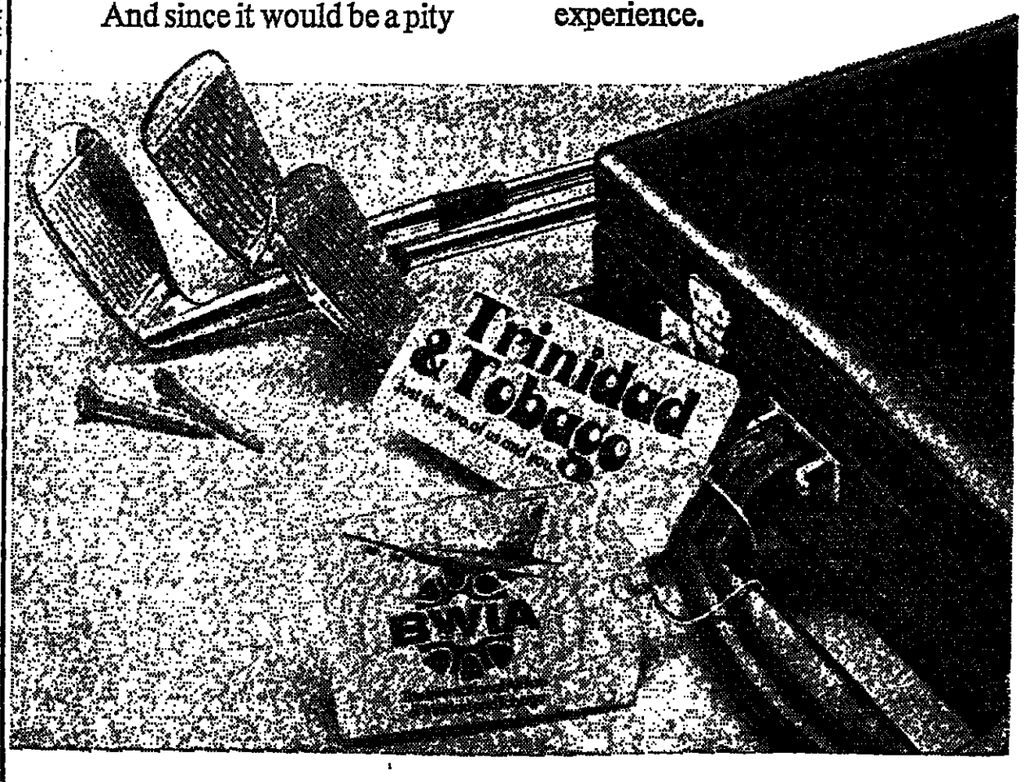
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How to provide jam tomorrow

The Trinidad and Tobago Government's industrial strategy is a direct response to the conjuction, within a few years, of the discovery of natural gas and the riches brought by the oil price rises of 1973. With large quantities of both money and gas the Government had to decide how to use the two resources for the greatest public benefit.

It was wise enough to choose caution, looking to the distant future when the country's natural resources might have exhausted themselves rather than spend the wealth in ways which might provide jam today but only dripping tomorrow.

The strategy is to develop industries using the natural gas to produce exports; at a secondary stage, smaller industries, themselves using gas and the products of the bigger enterprises would follow, producing for either the home or export markets. Thus the energy would be used to create an industrial structure which would remain even when the resources themselves diminish.

By far the most important project in this industrial programme is under construction at Point Lisas, on Trinidad's west coast, 23 miles from Port of Spain. The Point Lisas complex will be the largest in the Caribbean and offer an unparalleled package of facilities. The 1,500-acre site, which can be enlarged, is being developed and run by a company in which the Government has a majority shareholding, Plipdeco.

Natural gas is already on stream there, by means of a pipeline 62 miles long from the field off Trinidad's south-east coast. Other pipelines are planned to meet the demand by new industries. Electricity will be available in whatever quantities are needed, a new power plant being under construction. Point Lisas also has a port and a deep-water channel and turning basin are being dredged.

Some projects have already been started. Building a 500,000 tonne capacity iron and steel mill, costing at least $TT700m, should be completed by 1980. It will be used almost totally for exports. Construction of Trinidad's third fertilizer plant has also begun.

Firm plans for the near future include an aluminium smelter, which was originally to be a joint project with Jamaica and Guyana, before those two countries withdrew; a plant for the production of methanol, the export of which is under negotiation; and a liquefaction plant for the export of liquefied natural gas (LNG). Most of the projects will involve the Government in joint ventures with foreign companies, mainly from the United States.

The Government sees Point Lisas as equally important for secondary spin-off industries, such as those producing chemicals. Even the smallest units, on sites of half an acre, can take advantage of the related facilities, and it is these secondary industries that should give the main boost to employment. At the moment, most of the new employment is in the construction industry.

The Point Lisas project has not had an entirely uncritical reception. Some people feel that part of the industries being created—and especially iron and steel—depend too much on uncertain world demand and prices. There are also critics who think that the second stage of Point Lisas has not been properly examined. Will the secondary industries come in sufficient numbers? Will the employment created be as substantial as has been claimed?

Mr Errol Mahabir, Minister for Petroleum, who is also one of the Ministers of Finance and is responsible for all energy matters, accepts that the project has some risks, although he sees them as minimal. Anyway, he says, "we must catch the tide".

Industrialization is not limited to Point Lisas. The Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) is the government agency for initiating, encouraging and promoting industry. It acts also as adviser, fiscal consultant, entrepreneur, developer and publicist. It introduces investment capital to projects. At one extreme it is heavily involved in Point Lisas, at the other it provides funds for individuals wanting to buy small ice cream making machines. It has already committed more than $TT2m to help small businessmen, those requiring large amounts go to the Development Finance Company.

The IDC develops the roads, water and electricity of most of the country's industrial estates, and leases out the space.

Trinidad and Tobago industrialization is still in its early years, and cannot be judged until the mid 1980s. The foundations are being laid sensibly. The money is there, the dedication is there and the technological knowledge is being acquired. The prospects look good.

Petroleum products dominate exports

The emphasis of Trinidad and Tobago's industrialization policy on exports is central to its economic strategy. Few projects of any substantial size can succeed based merely on a local market of little more than one million people.

In the short and medium term export earnings will continue to be dominated by petroleum products. The Government, however, looking further ahead, sees diversification of its exports as essential. It aims to use the available energy resources to make products which can be sold abroad rather than merely to export the energy itself.

In 1977, Trinidad and Tobago had a comfortable trade surplus of $TT890m, exports amounting to about $TT5,200m and imports to about $TT4,300m. Of the exports, more than $TT4,700m was under the general heading of fuel—over 90 per cent. That figure is deceptive, however, because about half of it was accounted for by oil which came in and was then sent out under a processing agreement. Half the imports figure, too, was represented by such transactions.

The next biggest export was foodstuffs and agricultural produce, amounting to $TT164m (more than half being sugar), followed by chemicals, at $TT153m.

Exports to the United Kingdom are fairly small, because the United Kingdom does not need Trinidad's petroleum products. In 1977 they were a little under £30m, £16m of which was in sugar and £3m in cocoa beans and coffee. Britain represents about 2 per cent of Trinidad and Tobago's export market. The United States is easily the biggest customer, accounting for more than two thirds of the exports, the main commodity being petroleum products.

In the active search for new and expanded export markets Trinidad and Tobago is soon to set up an international organization which will have ultimate control of promoting and marketing all visible and invisible earners of foreign currency. Offices will be established in New York, Geneva, and another centre to coordinate the work done hitherto by various agencies.

This initiative follows disappointment over the shrinking of the Caribbean market, coupled with a realization that the ambitious industrialization plans have to be matched by an equally ambitious and aggressive thrust towards selling the products created, not only in the traditional North American markets but in new areas such as the European Community and Japan.

On the imports side, leaving aside the oil coming in to be processed, the largest item is machinery and transport equipment (cars are imported in parts and are assembled in Trinidad), amounting to $TT800m. Various manufactured imports are valued at more than $TT600m, and foodstuffs ($TT360m) and chemicals ($TT212m) come next.

Imports from the United Kingdom reached nearly £100m in 1977, and that figure looks certain to be exceeded this year. Machinery and transport equipment (including cars) represented more than two fifths of this sum, followed by general manufacrured goods (just over one fifth), chemicals. Scotch whisky played a valiant part, too.

What is perhaps more relevant is that, though imports from Britain are just over a quarter of the overall imports (excluding oil) is still 20 per cent, and has not moved far from that percentage over the past few years. The proportion is going to be difficult to maintain as Trinidad develops its own import substitution, though during the past few years British businessmen have taken more interest in the Trinidad market.

New methods to meet challenge

Agriculture has reached a point of decision. Production of its main traditional exports is in decline, the country is having to bear a large ($TT366m in 1977) food import bill, and there has been a shift of resources, especially of manpower, away from the land. Trinidadian youth, like that of most other countries, prefers to work in the factories and live in the towns.

Yet there is much that the Government believes can be done to halt, and even reverse, the trend. It would require changing, sometimes drastically, the traditional agricultural pattern of the islands, by cultivating new crops, applying new methods of production, changing the size of production units, reorganizing the distribution and marketing structure and inducing people to return or come to the land. The Government has started to meet the challenge, aware of the irreversible consequences if action is not taken soon.

Many of the difficulties revolve around sugar which, for a long time, has been Trinidad and Tobago's main agricultural product and, until the advent of oil, its main export earner. Last year, sugar accounted for $TT88m, more than half of total agricultural and food exports of $TT164m, but both figures were significantly down on those of the previous year. Food and agriculture was also displaced last year from its position as second largest foreign currency earner, by tourism. Apart from the financial aspect, sugar is also important as easily the country's biggest employer of labour—mostly the descendants of the Indians who were brought over as indentured labour during the second half of last century.

Now, however, in the words of Dr Williams, the Prime Minister: "Beet sugar in Europe and America has supplanted us, and Australia has revolutionized the old colonial policy, exploding the fallacy that the sugar industry is not for white peoples." The low wages paid no longer attract the amount of labour required, and this is exacerbated by the traditional attitude on the part of the blacks that sugar cane work is beneath them and suitable only for Indians.

The other traditional exports have been cocoa beans, coffee and citrus fruit. Citrus has now declined to such an extent that it can no longer be regarded as a serious export. Cocoa had a good year in 1977 ($TT20m exports, total production being over seven million lb). Prices have recently been high on the world market, but are notoriously subject to fluctuation. Coffee also had a good year in 1977, earning nearly $TT10m from more than 6 million lb total production, but its price, too, is undependable.

The key, however, is sugar. A government special committee scheduled to report soon is expected to make proposals combining measures to revitalize sugar production with other schemes which would to some extent involve the substitution of other crops for sugar. The committee will be particularly concerned about the effects which its recommendations will make on the level of employment, which is an issue of considerable sensitivity.

The Ministry of Agriculture believes the sugar industry could be advantageously rationalized by increasing the size of production units. For historical reasons, much of the island's sugar is grown on small farms, barely viable on their own but which could, if consolidated, allow economies of scale to be made both in production and marketing. Other possibilities include increased mechanization and making more varied use of the sugar—for instance in feeding livestock—and of the cane.

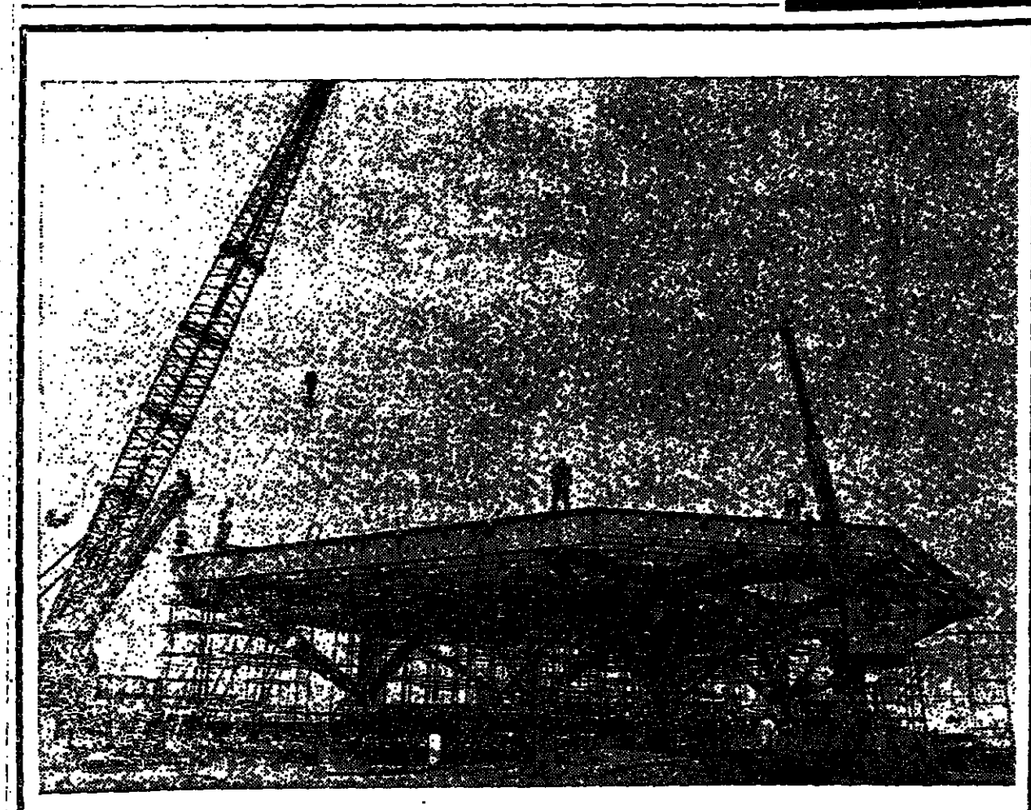
The position with cocoa is, in a way, the opposite. It was traditionally grown on extensive plantations which depended on a large cheap labour force. That is no longer available in sufficient numbers, and it has become necessary to reduce the size of production units, to make them suitable for working by a family not dependent on external labour. There is also optimism that new planting techniques (including bringing the trees much closer together) will result in significantly increased yields.

But much of the new thrust of agriculture must be towards production for local consumption, substituting for imports. For example, a home dairy and beef industry is being developed.

A large variety of fruits and vegetables at present being mainly imported could easily be grown in much greater quantities in Trinidad. Part of the difficulty has been the hitherto inadequate central marketing arrangement, which has acted as a disincentive to the cultivation of some of these foods. The Government has now created a national body, the Food and Agriculture Corporation, with powers over the whole range of agricultural production, from the initiation of new projects to acting as a marketing and selling agency.

But perhaps the most spectacular government activity in the agricultural sector is on the financial side. The range and size of incentives and subsidies being offered to farmers and to induce people to work in agriculture is extensive. The Agricultural Development Bank has more funds available than it is able to find takers for at present. Interest rates and repayment terms are generous.

A Ministry of Agriculture official summed it up thus: "If people can see that agriculture provides a decent living; that labour-saving devices have made it much less of a menial activity that they can get financial help, training and advice and that they can trust the central agency to market their produce properly, then they will return to the land and our agriculture will thrive again."



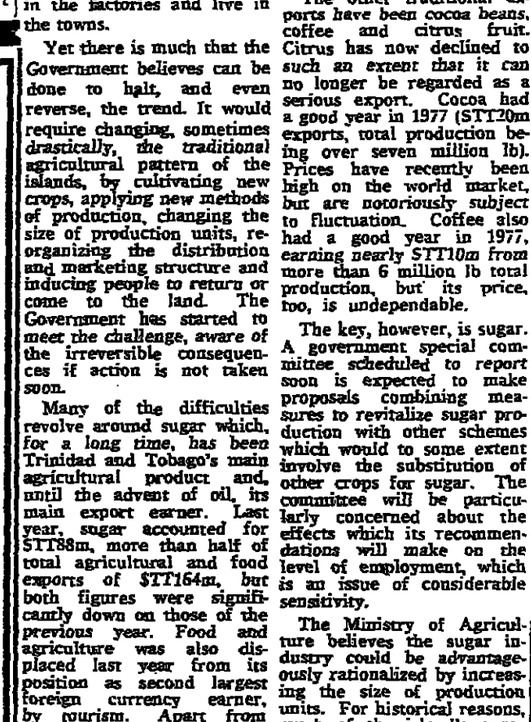
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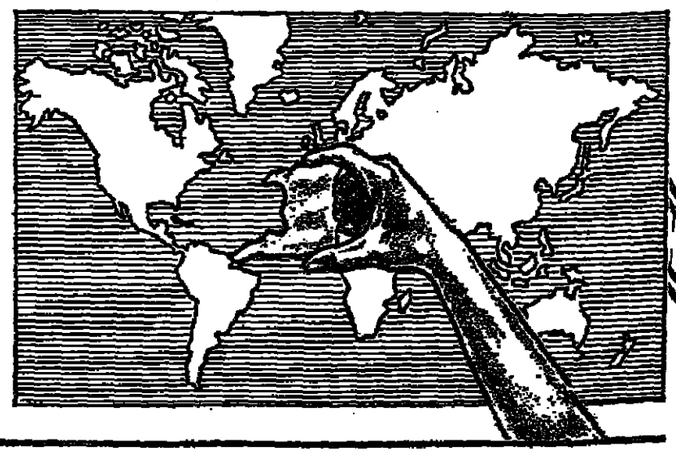
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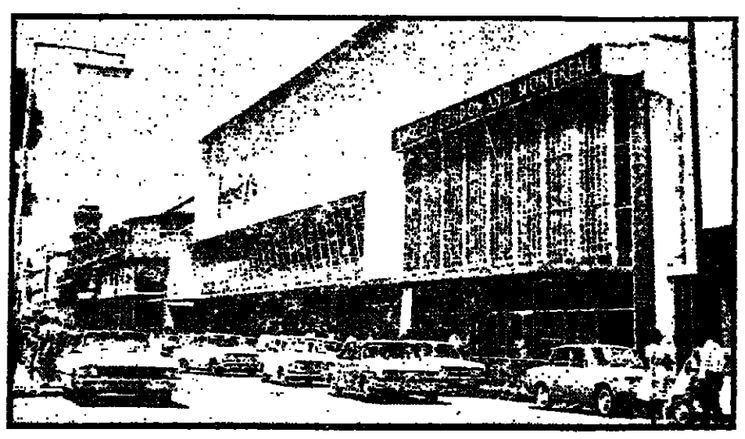


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Trinidad and Tobago is a small country with a small population, but its economic success has brought it prominence and influence out of proportion to its size. It is in the happy position of being the object of attention and wooing after many years of being the suitor and supplicant. Its international reputation is high, as a recent move into the Eurobond market showed: international finance flocked to lend it money, its creditworthiness is high, and its political stability proved.

Trinidad and Tobago has settled into its new role in the world with ease and grace. "We're a friendly little country", a highly placed official in the Ministry of External Affairs commented. "We cause no trouble to anyone and we do not seek to interfere in any other country's affairs."

The result is that the country is on amicable terms with all except South Africa, with which it refuses to have anything to do. Although the political philosophy of Trinidad and Tobago's Government is unwaveringly Western democratic, it was, for instance, the first Caribbean government to enter into diplomatic relations with Cuba. Earlier this year, it played host to a delegation from China.

The country has easy relationships with the developed countries of the West, its main traiding partners (including the United Kingdom, links with which were unofficially described as without hang-ups). But that does not hide the fact that it is very much a Third World country. Its newly acquired wealth, which has made it, per capita, one of the richest and most industrialized of the developing countries, has, if anything, enhanced its feeling of solidarity with the Third World and its determination to take an active and responsible part in its affairs which it is now in a better position to do. "Our comparative wealth does not mean that we are no longer subject to the same pressures and attitudes as other developing states", a senior official said.

Trinidad and Tobago participates in all Third World forums, and is a member of the Group of 77. It also takes part in meetings of the non-aligned countries. It is a member of the group of African, Caribbean and Pacific states (ACP) which signed the Lomé Convention with the European Economic Community. That convention is under review and renegotiation, and Trinidad is prominent among the many states which feel that it has not been successful in its implementation.

The EEC, it thinks, has failed to enter into the spirit of the convention, which was designed to help the developing countries of the areas involved. There are a number of examples, indeed, according to the Government, where any benefits obtained under the convention have been wiped out by other Community regulations acting to the disadvantage of ACP states. For example, Trinidad is having trouble in selling its rum to the United Kingdom, because of an EEC alcohol quota. The imposition, rather than negotiation, of the sugar prices payable by the Community has also caused some annoyance.

More broadly, the ACP states are asking for much more attention to be paid under the convention to industrial cooperation, the transfer of technology, and the greater opening up of markets within the EEC.

What little coolness and criticism Trinidad and Tobago has indulged in against other countries has been mainly directed at fellow members of Caricom, the limping Caribbean common market.

Dr Eric Williams, the Prime Minister, was among the first and has remained among the staunchest advocates of Caribbean integration and cooperation at all levels, and he is known to be disappointed by the slow progress made towards that ideal. Recent events within Caricom caused him to lose some patience with Jamaica and Guyana which, suffering from substantial trading deficits, imposed import restrictions which applied to Trinidad as well.

The result was a significant diminution of inter-Caribbean trade, and a crisis in some areas of export-dependent manufacturing industries within Trinidad. Dr William's annoyance was the more marked when it was noticed, from Jamaica's own trading statistics, that it had increased trade with some non-Caricom countries, especially Venezuela, in some of the products that it had barred Trinidad from selling to it.

There have been set-backs in other areas of Caribbean cooperation; and the veering to the left of both Jamaica and Guyana can only make joint actions more difficult. It is perhaps a measure of Trinidad and Tobago's maturity and goodnaturedness that not only did it not retaliate against Jamaica by restricting its imports, but it actually made money available to help it to overcome its difficulties.

Education free and good

Education in Trinidad and Tobago is free, compulsory and good. The literacy rate is high. In 1968 the Government drew up a master education plan for the following 15 years to 1983. A system of senior comprehensive schooling was set up in response to what the Government felt was the urgent need to pay greater attention to linking secondary education to growing industrialization.

One of the plan's main proposals was that specialized training should be provided for 35-40 per cent of 15-year-olds and above. "Industry and the present rapidly changing technology require that emphasis in industrial training be upon basic disciplines and scientific education for the employer to build his specific job training on", the plan said.

What the Government could not have foreseen 10 years ago was quite how fast the country's industrialization would take place, after the oil price increases of 1973 and the discovery of natural gas. The 1968 plan, by itself, was found to be insufficient to prepare children for the new opportunities. Recently, therefore, the expansion and acceleration of technical, craft and scientific education has been one of the Government's aims.

The establishment of extra teachers' training facilities geared to the teaching of technical and vocational subjects has been an integral part of the new drive; and there are schemes to retrain teachers of academic subjects towards the vocational ones. Inevitably there have been setbacks. The Government has found that new teachers and new teacher trainers cannot be spirited out of nowhere.

In the past school year more than 2,600 senior comprehensive pupils who had registered for technical and craft subjects could not complete their courses because, according to a government report, "severe difficulties were experienced in securing relevant staff", and because of delays in building new workshops and laboratories. In an attempt to overcome these difficulties the Government has produced a scheme for on-the-job training for those 2,600. Trainees in welding, plumbing, electricity, air-conditioning, textiles, and business studies would be taught in appropriate factories under real conditions rather than at school.

The scheme did not meet with universal approval. Employers and trade unions were lukewarm. School principals and, perhaps strangely, parents also had reservations. An assessment of the scheme's practicability must await the end of the school year which has just begun. If successful, on-the-job training could become more than just a short-term expedient and become a permanent part of the educational system.

The same sense of urgency is apparent at the higher education level. A White Paper recommended recently the setting up of a national institute for higher education to coordinate and act as a supervisory body for the promotion and control of research and of scientific and technological education, all of which is now in the hands of a large number of institutions with varying aims, administrative and legal structures and standards.

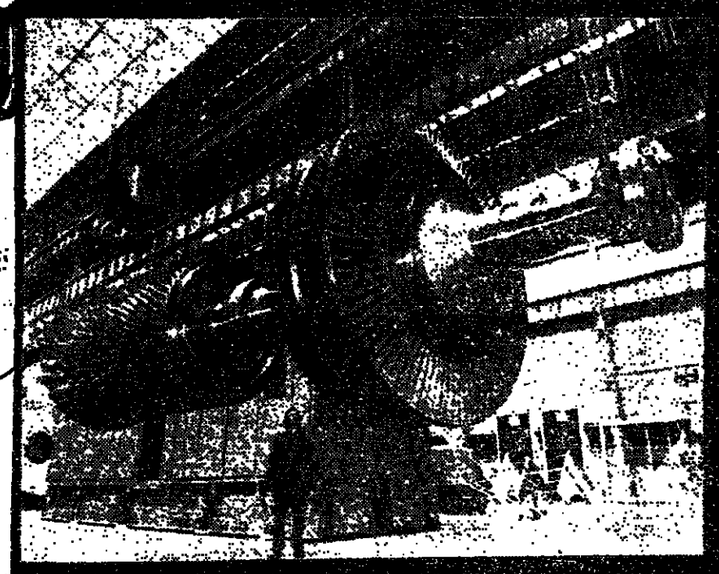
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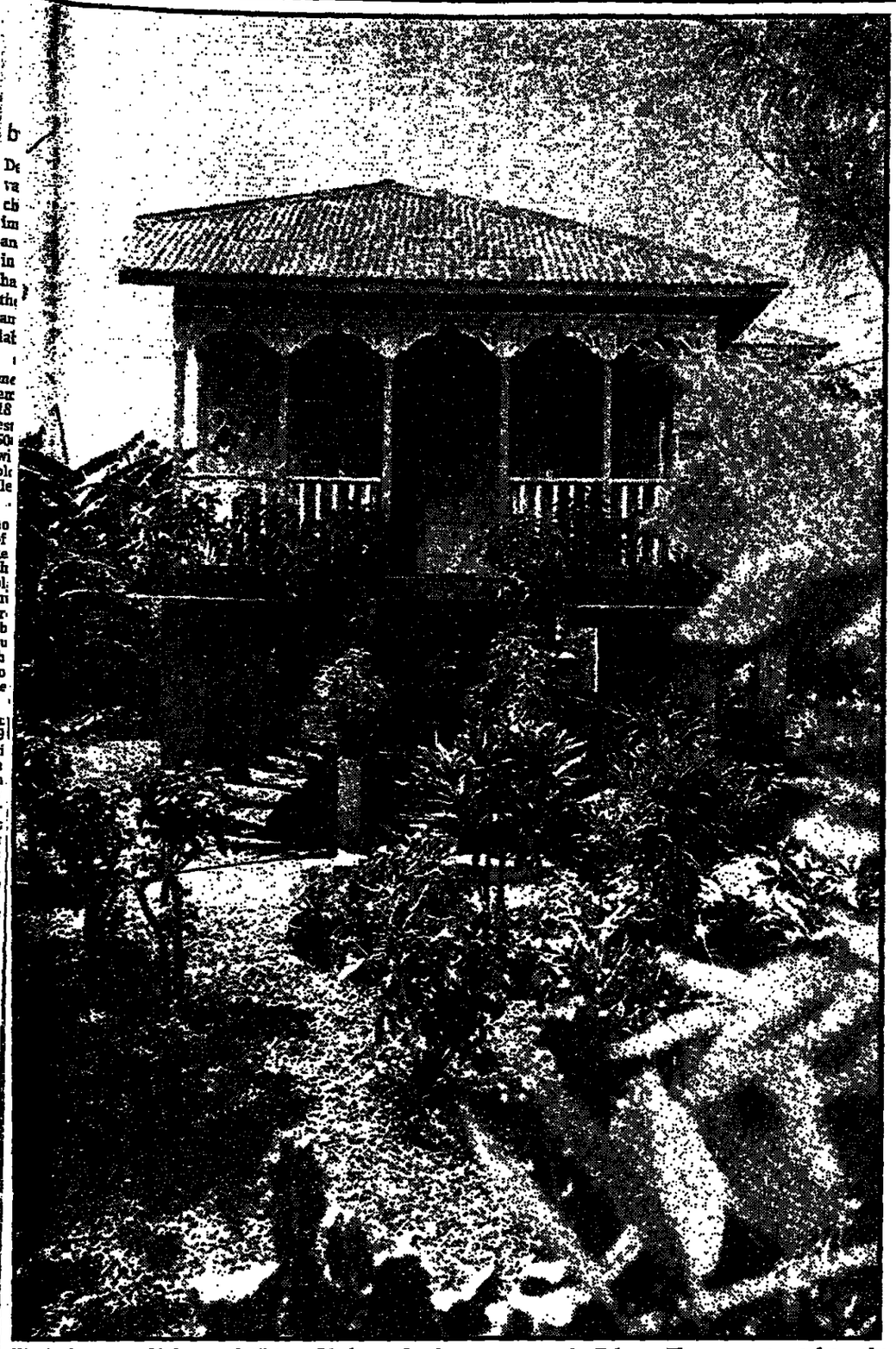


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The "gingerbread" house of Mistress Lindsay, a local washerwoman in Tobago. The name comes from the garish exterior decoration: bright paintwork and lines of cards hung up outside.

Facilities for the locals in which tourists can share

Trinidad and Tobago, in contrast with most other Caribbean states, is in the fortunate position of not having to depend on tourism to any crucial extent for its livelihood. The money spent by visitors to the two islands was estimated at STT200m last year, which, though a sizable sum, making it the second biggest earner of foreign currency (above exports of agricultural products and chemicals), contributes only a little more than 5 per cent to the country's income.

That does not, of course, mean to say that tourism is being neglected, or not being encouraged and welcomed. It has meant, however, that the Government has been able to keep it in perspective, and its active but measured support for the tourist industry has been conducted in the context of the country's *wider economic and social strategy.*

The statistics need some elaboration, because they do not conform to the normal tourism profile. Of last year's figure of 167,000 visitors to Trinidad and Tobago, only about a quarter were tourists in the full sense. Nearly 100,000 visitors stayed privately, with family or friends, most being former Trinidadians back on family visits. People on business accounted *for another large slice of the* visitors statistic, although *some of them may combine* their work with some tourist-type leisure.

The two islands are complementary in tourist terms. Tobago defies being described in other than travel-brochure superlatives. Only 20 miles by eight, it contains every paradise-island cliché: perfect sandy beaches surrounded by palm trees, clear unpolluted azure water, *astonishing displays of fish* and coral, a lush hilly interior *abundant in flashily* plumed bird-life, many historical sites recalling its turbulent past (it changed hands 31 times), a drowsy unhurried pace of life, and charming people.

Trinidad cannot compete at that level of beauty and *calm. Port of Spain*, its capital, is a friendly bustling *city showing in many ways*, but especially in its architecture, the extraordinary variety of its ancestry. It is a pleasant and interesting place to stay in, but it is not outstandingly beautiful; nor is the developed west coast of the island which is largely dominated by oil installations and industrial development. The spectacular exception to the commercial *domination of that coast is* the Caroni swamp, home of the protected scarlet ibis, which, returning in their hundreds of thousands to their nests after their day's foraging for food, form a *deep red mass so dense that* the sky can hardly be seen.

Many of Trinidad's most beautiful beaches are on the fairly inaccessible and undeveloped east side of the island. And even if the tourist were to make the effort to get there, he would find none of the minimum facilities that all but the *most* adventurous wanderer requires. Even some of the *splendid beaches nearer* Port of Spain (15 miles away) *in the spectacular* bays of Maracas and Las Cuevas, *on the north side*, have limited facilities. There is little residential accommodation, and, in the absence of convenient public transport, an expensive taxi is the only means of getting there.

The Government plans to set up beach facilities and *picnic areas in a number* of the more attractive but remote spots. *It is also* developing and improving access to places of historical and scenic interest. A programme for the improvement of trans-island road communication has been under way for some time.

The Government *emphasizes that, while the various* schemes started and planned would benefit tourism, the main reason for their implementation is the need for more recreational facilities for the Trinidadians themselves. "We do not want tourist havens. We want facilities which can be shared by nationals and tourists alike", Mr Winston Borrell, the deputy director of *Trinidad and Tobago's* Tourist Board, says. That *philosophy is central to the* Government's policy on tourism.

It is conscious of the tendency of tourist enclaves in *other countries to lead to* resentment on the part of *the local population whose* task it is to play servant to the tourist *masters. It is* convinced that its policy of *developing the recreational* environment mainly for its own people, while inviting and welcoming tourists who wish to make use of them as well, is sound not only from the point of view of the morale and pride of Trinidadians; it makes the visitor feel less alien and isolated—he does not feel that he is participating in an artificial society created solely for his benefit.

Even in Tobago, the archetype tourist *ideal*, most holiday-makers are Trinidad*ians, and no brash conces*sions to tourist tastes have *been made or are foreseen* in the various hotel and leisure development plans for the island. Tobago still has a long way to go before it endangers the very qualities that make it popular.

The Hilton Hotel in Port of Spain (wholly owned by the Government) is another example of tourist/local combination. Although, obviously, the hotel rooms are occupied by visitors, *more than half the* restaurants' takings are *from local sources.*

What of the future? The *Government is aware of* difficulties in the way of greatly expanding tourism. The facilities at Piarco airport are now inadequate for the volume of passenger traffic handled, and the delays sometimes caused can result in the first-time visitor starting off his trip with less than happy experiences. A building and expansion programme is under way. The air service between Trinidad and Tobago is often *insufficient to meet the de*mand, and the introduction of a shuttle service is being planned. Improvement to the car-ferry service between the islands is also under consideration, as is the possibility of expanding facilities for visiting cruise ships. Various ways of making it easier, cheaper and *more* comfortable to travel around Trinidad are being looked *at.*

At present, nearly half the *visitors to Trinidad and* Tobago are from the United *States and Canada*, while a quarter are from other *Caribbean states.* For obvious geographical reasons most tourists will continue to come from the Americas, but the tourist board is trying to penetrate deeper into *the Latin American market.*

The European market—especially Germany and Scandinavia — is also being wooed. Britain provided 16,000 visitors to Trinidad in 1977, mostly on family *visits, and the tourist board* is keen to get more tourists *without local connexions. It* has had some success in persuading *British companies* to use Trinidad and Tobago for its "incentive" holidays, rewarding successful employees.



Pigeon Point, Tobago, which sums up the tourist image of a tropical paradise.

Cricket, lovely cricket

Whatever the rights and wrongs of the West Indies cricket *authorities' approach* to Mr Kerry Packer, there is no doubt that the Trinidadian in the street wants to see cricket played by the best West Indians around, which includes the Packer men. This wish is now likely to be granted.

Mr Packer has, at *considerable cost, negotiated to* bring his players to the Caribbean, and Port of Spain will have its first experience of World Series Cricket (WSC) early next year. Trinidad is delighted.

Rumblings over the controversial Australian tour *earlier this year continue*, however. The two principal protagonists were both respected Trinidadians. On one side was Mr Jeffrey Stollmeyer, chairman of the West Indies Cricket Board of Control, a former West Indies captain and now a prominent businessman. On the other was the test wicketkeeper Mr Deryck Murray, the spokesman for the players.

The details are complicated and some are still in dispute. Broadly, however, after the West Indies, with WSC players, had easily beaten Australia's team, without them, the selectors dropped from the winning side two new Packer signatories and Mr Murray. As a result Mr Clive Lloyd, the captain, resigned from the side, and was followed by all the remaining Packer players in the team. Since then no WSC players have been chosen for the West Indies, and none is going on the tour of India.

The people of Trinidad *reacted to this by virtually* boycotting the fourth test against Australia in Port of Spain, and they have a lukewarm attitude towards the tour of India. By contrast, the West Indies v Australia World Series match is expected to be a sell-out.

Unfortunately, Trinidad and Tobago cricket is going through a lean patch. This year, the national team came only fourth out of five in the Shell Shield, the main Caribbean championship, and none of its present players, with the possible exception of Mr Larry Gomes, stands *comparison with other top* Caribbean players. Apart *from Mr Gomes, two other* men of Trinidad are in the *West Indies team for India*: the second wicketkeeper, Mr Randall Lyon, and the spin bowler, Mr Raphique Jumadeen, who has toured England.

Mr Stollmeyer believes *that one of the reasons for* the weak state of Trinidad *cricket is the pitches.* Although the island is well endowed with public cricketing facilities, as befits a national sport, the public pitches tend to be poor. Unlike either West Indian countries, Trinidad has only a handful of good enclosed club grounds. The consequence is that Trinidadians are not getting sufficient experience on suitable pitches.

A familiar sound in its home

Trinidadians are prepared to admit that Rio de Janeiro, too, has a carnival, although *not, they claim, one* which provides such a total experience as Trinidad's own. There can be no doubt, however, about Trinidad's two other major contributions to art and culture, the steelband and the calypso.

The steelband is a familiar enough sight and sound in Britain to need no definition. What is less appreciated is the extraordinary range of music that it can produce, and the degree of skill and musician*ship required at the highest* level. The history of the pan (the hollow steel drum) as a melodic, as distinct from rhythmic, instrument is short. It was only in the 1940s that the surface of the drum was so beaten out as to produce separate notes. Now, the tuning of pans—*done* by hand—is a much-prized skill. It is not unusual for men who cannot read a note of music to beat out a surface containing dozens of notes, all of perfect tonality and pitch.

The *increasing complexity* and finesse of the instrument has been *accompanied* by similar progress on the part of *musicians.* Although, of course, still widely used to play the rhythmic melodies of the region, there has been a movement towards a greater variety of melodic and rhythmic structures and even into elaborate but faithful (not jazzed-up) arrangements of classical music, by bands sometimes numbering 100 or more musicians.

Calypso has, in contrast, a longer, more complicated history, although it is generally agreed to be of African derivation. Its range, musical and verbal, is far greater than can be imagined from the average British experience of it—happy songs celebrating a royal tour or a West Indies cricket victory over England spearheaded by "those friends of mine—Ramhaddin and Valentine".

At its best, exemplified (although less so recently) by the acknowledged master Mighty Sparrow, calypso is social commentary of considerable depth and elegance, satirical and cynical, sometimes savagely critical, with the occasional touch of real anguish. A discriminatory sewerage scheme, the effect of the presence of foreigners on the price of local whores, the colonial education system and police pay have all been subjects treated by Sparrow. No subject is sacrosanct.

There is a school of thought which holds that, with increasing prosperity and rising standards of living, the edge has gone out of the "political" calypso. Whether or not that is so, there is still life to be written about, and many new melodies and rhythms to be explored. Calypso as a folk phenomenon shows no signs of losing popularity.

If there appears to be a lack of exciting and original visual art it is because Trinidadians expend much of their artistic talent on carnival. It is in the design of costumes and other paraphernalia for that event that the true folk art of Trinidad can be found. Although some striking examples are retained and exhibited, most of it disappears after each carnival, sometimes to reappear, skilfully altered the following year, but seldom remaining in permanent form.

In any case, the costumes are designed to be seen in *movement, and inevitably* lose much of their impact when at rest. "Our art is genuinely a people's art, not the preserve of a few people who label themselves artists", a Trinidadian sociologist commented. "Carnival is the expression and the content of that art." The pity of it is that so much of the art of Trindad can be appreciated only for a few short days a year.

Trinidad has yet to find any writer approaching the stature of its most famous artistic son, the writer V. S. Naipaul. The National Cultural Council is active in encouraging and promoting Trinidad talent in all the arts, and there is a great deal of it—but much of the work being done, especially in drama and literature, is perhaps too local in character easily to be appreciated outside the country.

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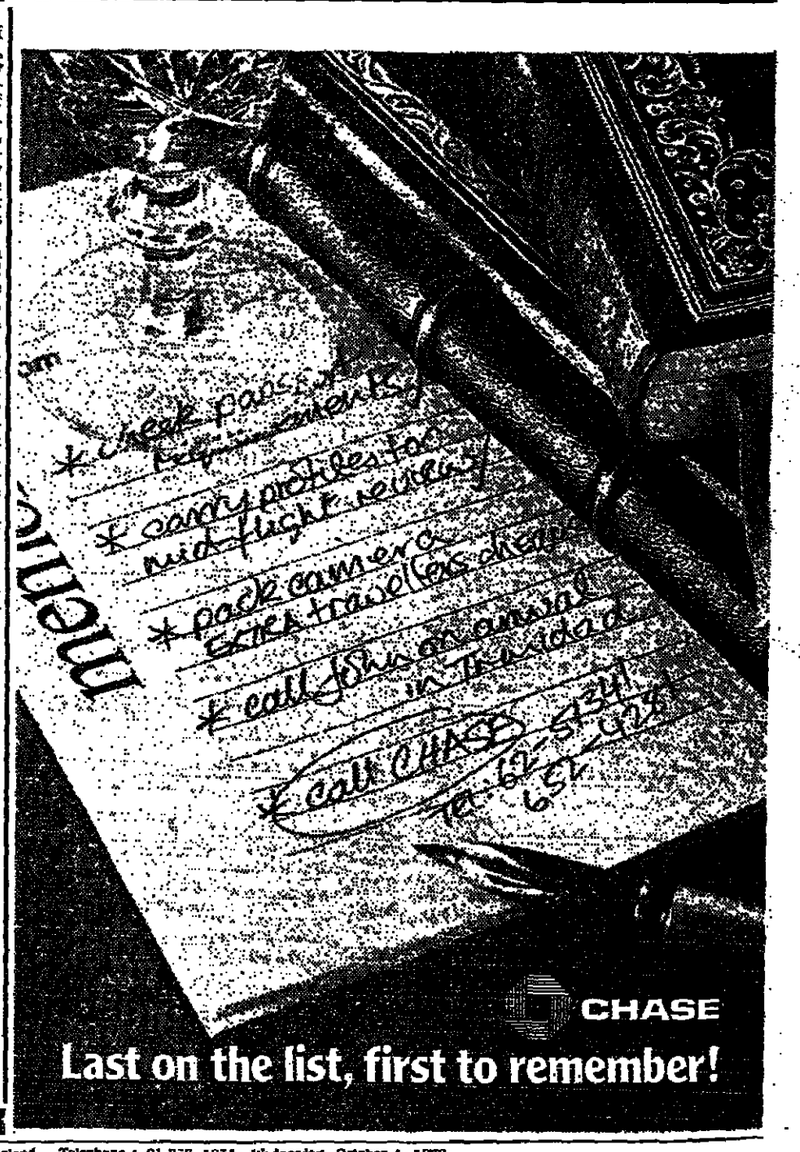
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THE DAY AFTER THE STORM

he danger for the Labour arty after Mr Callaghan's black onday was that this would rove to be one of those conerences over which the parliaentary leaders would comletely lose control. The unions ho dominated with their lock votes had refused to e restrained by ministerial leas over pay policy. If ey had been determined to sert themselves with equal ck of inhibition on other atters, ministers would have ced one humiliation after nother, the public would have en shocked by the spectacle a party threatened by archy, and the balance of wer within the party might ve been changed more peranently. But that has not appened. The two key votes sterday went in favour of the rliamentary leadership and e more moderate forces ithin the party.

On the election of the leader e conference preferred the ast radical of the options esented by the national ecutive committee. The choice ill still be made by the MPs one. The only change is that hoever is selected will—if the levant constitutional amendent is made next year—be ader of the whole party not st of the parliamentary party at present. This will be a ange of title not of substance, that yesterday's vote was virtually for the status quo. It might pave the way for more significant change in the future—if other sections of the party come to feel that it is illogical for MPs alone to elect the leader of the whole party—but yesterday's decision cannot in any sense be regarded as irresponsible.

Nor could that charge be made against the conference decision on the re-selection of MPs. The compromise proposal put forward by the NEC is by no means ideal. But it permits constituency parties to pass a vote of confidence in their MPs if they want to avoid a full pre-selection procedure, and it was the most sensible option on offer yesterday. If all MPs had automatically to undergo a full re-selection procedure after every election that would do more than anything else to make them vulnerable to pressure from their constituency parties. The conference decisions on both these issues have avoided, for the time being at least, damaging conflict between the party inside and outside Parliament.

If the elections to the NEC had been similarly encouraging, one might have been tempted to feel that the incomes policy debate on Monday had been an aberration and that the unions were intent on exercising their immense power within the party in responsible fashion. In one sense it would be unfair to blame the unions for the slight swing to the left in the NEC elections. This occurred in sections where they do not vote. But the hope had been that they would use their power in other sections to correct the left wing balance on the old NEC—in particular by bringing about changes in the women's section. They have not done so, with the result that the new NEC will be marginally more left wing than the old one.

How much this will matter will depend upon the degree of authority that the parliamentary leadership in general and Mr Callaghan in particular are able to exert. His speech yesterday was conciliatory in tone. It was a skilful tactical exercise: reiterating the Government's commitment to fight inflation, repeating that the Government could interpret its pay policy only within the limits of the White Paper—which means within the limits of the guidelines—but offering talks with the unions. None the less, he left the clear impression that if the Government is still to have a serious anti-inflation policy it must rely more on monetary and fiscal measures. In economic terms that is all to the good. If the Government had decided this on its own volition there would be no cause for criticism. But it is another matter to be pushed into this course by the rebellion of the unions.

HE TORMENT OF LEBANON

ic fighting in Beirut since the eekend has been the worst ice the Lebanese civil war offiily ended nearly two years o. Early on Monday morning unprecedented barrage of rian shells fell on the whole stern part of the city—inhabi now exclusively by Christians ough many of those have fled ce the Syrian shelling began July 1) and controlled by the ht-wing Christian militias. The litias retaliated and during nday the fighting spread to surrounding hill villages. re than 500 people are said to e been killed or wounded. er a relative lull on Monday ht the fighting resumed yesday with about thirty Syrian ks in action, apparently to estall an attack by the militias the Qarantina bridge, which ries the main road north out the city, and Syrian artillery in firing on militia positions oughout East Beirut.

ome eyewitnesses of Mon-'s barrage concluded that the ian troops had been given ers to smash the militias once for all. That interpretation ld accord with Syria's reted warnings of her deteration not to tolerate the ivities of these "gangs" ch have allied themselves h Israel "against Lebanon's urity and stability". Many ervers take the view that the sent inconclusive situation in anon is gradually undermining the credibility of the Syrian régime, and that sooner or later it would be obliged either to crush the militias or to extricate its forces from Lebanon altogether. If it had decided on the former course, the present moment might well seem as opportune as any, since Israel would not want to jeopardize the great prize of an Egyptian-Israeli treaty, now virtually within her grasp, by embarking on an all-out war against Syria in support of her Lebanese Christian protégés.

On the other hand it must be doubted whether, if he had decided on the final crunch in Lebanon, President Assad would have gone off as scheduled on Sunday on a two-week visit to East Germany and Russia. The official Syrian thesis, that the troops of the "Arab Deterrent Force" are responding to provocation from the militias, is supported by the evidence of some observers on the spot; they say that the militias have been receiving a steady supply of heavy weapons from Israel for three or four months now and that their leaders have made no secret of their intention to take on the Syrians and force them out of Lebanon.

In fact the two sides have been set on a collision course for months now, and it is perhaps not very important which of them chose this moment to escalate the fighting. What is clear is that the militias have succeeded in destroying Syria's credibility as a neutral "deterrent force" and in forcing her to adopt an all-out belligerent role. Her moral right to be in Lebanon to enforce the ceasefire is forfeit when she herself is firing on this scale. The situation is also extremely dangerous for the Middle East at large and for the world, since if Israel does intervene directly President Sadat may find it impossible to implement the Camp David agreement. The international community cannot afford to ignore what is happening, either from a humanitarian point of view or from that of self-interest.

President Carter's suggestion last week of an international conference was unrealistic, if only because Syria would certainly not accept Israel's participation. But some forum for genuine negotiations between the antagonists is clearly needed. Perhaps the United States, or a group of Western powers (as in the case of Namibia), could negotiate separately with Israel and Syria to find a solution which each would then persuade its Lebanese and Palestinian clients to ratify. This solution would have to provide for a gradual withdrawal of the Syrian troops, at least from the Christian areas, and for the Christians to maintain order in their own areas while recognizing the authority of the Lebanese President and government.

AESAR'S WIFE AND THE HOUND'S TOOTH

en initial doubts about Mr hard Nixon's fitness for high ce were voiced in 1952, neral Eisenhower, Republican sidential nominee, said his ning mate would have to be clean as a hound's tooth". same veterinary metaphor justly be applied to the tish Civil Service whose lack corruption, with a few tched exceptions, has proved leall beyond price in the past tury.

When senior officials move ftly from Whitehall to the or industry nerve ends ple in one or two quarters. 1976 the Royal Commission Standards of Conduct in blic Life reported that there nothing to fear in this area, t existing safeguards were quate. A year later the Comns Select Committee on penditure dissented from this w and argued that the vernment's approval in such es should be required legally contractually. In June this r Lord Peart, Lord Privy l, wrote to the committee ing ministers planned no nge as "there is no evidence significant abuse" and there matter rests.

Behind the disquiet which erupts every time a senior civil servant finds a rewarding way to supplement his pension, is the general but erroneous impression that there is a two year rule governing the withdrawal phase, a rule honoured more in the breach than the observance. The most recent formulation of the guidelines in 1975 established a mandatory three-month period for permanent secretaries, which could be extended by the Prime Minister, acting on the advice of a standing advisory committee, for up to two years in delicate cases.

These rules are publicly available as an appendix to the report of the Royal Commission on Standards of Conduct in Public Life (Cmnd 6524). The crux of the matter is whether an individual official is taking up an appointment with a firm with whose affairs his association in office "has been of a continued or repeated nature". The safeguards are designed to prevent a civil servant from feathering a future nest while still in post and firms from acquiring an unfair advantage over their competitors by buying inside knowledge.

The latest case to go before the standing advisory committee, under Lord Diamond, should not cause too much difficulty. Sir Frederick Kearns, who is taking early retirement from the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, to found a consultancy has not had anything to do with the annual farm price review since 1971. The offer from the National Farmers Union to make use of his services will not therefore be seen as a direct conflict of interest requiring a protracted cooling off period, and the union has no competitor.

But given the very proper concern of public and Parliament that such moves ought to be beyond suspicion, Lord Diamond and his colleagues should generally err on the side of caution. Permanent secretaries' pension arrangements are quite adequate. None will starve in the interim. Senior civil servants, though a much maligned breed, must accept the need to be beyond reproach, like Caesar's wife, and to be seen to be so. Anything short of complete and conspicuous probity will greatly damage the colleagues they leave behind.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mourning the death of two Popes

From the Archbishop of Westminster

Sir, The Roman Catholic community has been much consoled and encouraged by the sympathy and understanding shown by our fellow-countrymen in our recent bereavements. In the space of eight weeks we have mourned the death of two Popes.

Throughout this period there have been generous tributes paid by Her Majesty, by the Prime Minister, the Archbishop of Canterbury, by many Church Leaders, by the Jewish Community, by political figures and by people from every walk of life. And I would like to acknowledge publicly the generosity of the Press, Television and Radio in terms of space and time given, and to note that, in reporting the events of recent weeks, they have been both magnanimous and sensitive.

To all these I wish to say "thank you". The Cardinals must now start again—we rely on your continued good will and on your prayers.

Yours very sincerely,
BASIL HUME,
Archbishop of Westminster.
Archbishop's House,
Westminster, SW1.
October 3.

Importing Japanese cars

From Mr Nigel Lawson, MP for Blaby (Conservative)

Sir, Cabinet Ministers do not usually write letters to you when they are criticised in your columns. Why, then, is Mr Edmund Dell (October 2) so sensitive about Mr Bernard Levin's mockery of his policy of attempting to bully the Japanese into voluntarily limiting their exports of cars to the United Kingdom?

Could it be because Mr Dell remembers what he himself wrote on the subject, only five years ago, in his thoughtful book, *Political Responsibility and Industry*?

For the benefit of those who do not have that aptly titled work readily to hand, perhaps I might be allowed to quote from pages 224-5:

"If Japan places voluntary export curbs on her industries at a time of large trade surplus with the United Kingdom, that will temporarily benefit United Kingdom industry and employment. As however no one in the United Kingdom will know how long the curbs will operate, no one will be prepared to gamble money by way of investment in industries liable to be swamped. The relative competitiveness of Japanese industry is likely to continue to improve. A British government would be entitled to conclude that voluntary export curbs are not the kind of trade reciprocity that has much use for Britain."

Yours etc,
NIGEL LAWSON,
House of Commons.

Fire precautions

From the Secretary of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings

Sir, The concern expressed by Lord James of Rusholme in his letter in your issue of September 8 regarding the inflexible imposition of fire regulations on historic buildings is shared by the Society.

As stated by Mr N. C. Strother Smith of the Fire Protection Association in his letter of September 16, the Society has been studying this problem in relation to old buildings over a long period. It is confident that there are alternative approaches to those dictated by the current and proposed regulations which are likely to be more appropriate in an historic building. Indeed, the problem of safety may not be that which the regulations presume it to be.

In the opinion of the Society there are however, at least three basic requirements which need to be satisfied and without delay.

1. The preparation of a code of practice covering fire precautions in historic buildings—no code exists at the present time.

2. The setting up of a statutory authority to which members of the public can appeal. The growth of inflexible legislation makes this of paramount importance, and this need is borne out by the flood of requests for help and advice received by the Society's Technical Panel.

3. The education of the public in recognising the hazards of fire. By reasons of the human element involved further efforts on an even greater scale are required to supplement the work already being done by the Fire Protection Association. The campaign for road safety is the example to be followed but even this on a greatly increased scale to impress upon the public the terrifying consequences of fire in the destruction of human lives and the unnecessary loss of buildings.

Ceaseless efforts are made to protect our remaining stock of old buildings—the sub-division of a fine interior and the covering of its features with fire resistant construction in order to protect it from the alternative possibility of it being spoilt by fire is a self-defeating exercise.

Yours faithfully,
M. DANCE, Secretary,
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55 Great Ormond Street, WC1

NUJ and 'The Times'

From Mr Jacob Ecclestone

Sir, With reference to your report today on the dispute over pay between journalists working on *The Times* and *The Times* Supplements and the management of Times Newspapers, I would like to make clear that cuts in staffing levels have at no stage been suggested by management, nor would any such suggestion be accepted by my members.

Yours faithfully,
JACOB ECCLESTONE, Father of *The Times* chapel, National Union of Journalists,
Gray's Inn Road, WC1.
October 3.

Blame for poor economic growth

From the Editor of Management Today

Sir, Lord Kaldor (letter, October 2), in wrongly refuting your views about Britain's poor economic performance, says, very rightly, "it is a good principle to start at the top . . . and assign responsibility to the rulers, not the ruled". But in what sense are managers, on whom he fixes the blame, the "rulers"? The economic environment is ultimately determined by the government. Managers need no more accept blame for the national economic failure than would the government's economic advisers (of whom Lord Kaldor was one). In both cases, the determining factor is not what the manager or the economist proposes, but what the real "rulers" provide in the way of specific decisions and general environment.

In *Management Today*, which has just published its 150th monthly issue, we have reported many cases of poor management in Britain: many of middling management: many of excellent management. Any human activity—including Lord Kaldor's profession of economics—would show the same in any country. But no evidence that he or anybody else produced supports his general condemnation of British managers. Anecdotal evidence, like the opinions of German managers on British management, quoted by and from *Der Spiegel*, is simply of no general value. The German *Manager* magazine has a monthly feature on "Mismanagement" by German concerns; anybody in this field, too, has heard many anecdotes about bad management in Germany. But sweeping conclusions from these data would be as wrong headed as Lord Kaldor's.

The vital question is what makes the British environment so adverse. Lord Kaldor repeats a common and elementary historical error. He implies that because in earlier periods "when bureaucracy, high government spending and taxation did not exist, and trade unions were much weaker, Britain's economic growth lagged", the blame for current poor performance cannot be laid at those doors. But it's obvious that completely different causes could and probably do explain different periods of lagging performance, and that the causes of the pre-1913 lag could well have disappeared, to be replaced by other adverse factors today.

True, from 1945 until 1965 (when by an interesting coincidence, the Labour Government which Lord Kaldor advised had just come into power) Britain's growth was exceptionally high by our own low standards. However, in the pre-Wilson years, when this exceptional growth took place, bureaucracy was less prolific and its extension by nationalisation into industry less extensive; government spending was very much lower; taxation was also much lower on most incomes, especially at the margin, and on capital gains; and trade union power—especially over social legislation, the reduction of overmanning and the prevention of high productivity—was less, and less heavily applied.

Whether or not reversal of these changes would now produce a national renaissance, it's impossible to see what good they have done in the past. And the awful post-1965 performance is a powerful *prima facie* case for the reversal of trends which have the added and important defect of being extremely unpopular with the majority of the British people.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT HELLER, Editor,
Management Today
54/62 Regent Street, W1.

From Mr David Green

Sir, Lord Kaldor (October 2) does not challenge your proposition that Britain has a dreadful record of low productivity—indeed it is difficult to see how he could. He accepts that bad industrial relations and hostility of workers to management is a very important handicap to British industry but allocates the primary responsibility to the rulers not the ruled.

This apparently is his alibi for the fact that we have three men producing shoddy goods in Britain in the same time that it takes one man to produce the same volume of quality goods in Germany and Japan; for the repeated and arbitrary abrogation by employees of agreements reached by their representatives; and for those who, wishing the state to take wealth from those who have it and give it to those who do not, nevertheless deny the right of the state to lay down firm guidelines as to what proportion of the wealth that is produced may be taken in wages by those who produce it, and sanction industrial action against the attempt.

It is self evident that none of the things that have been done since 1945 have materially improved conditions in industry. Industries long nationalized have no better productivity record than those in the private sector. Nor have compensation for redundancy and unfair dismissal; extensive statutory provision for wages in wage council industries; legislation on health and safety; unemployment and social security benefits that have eroded—and in many cases extinguished—the distinction between the incomes of the employed and unemployed; written contracts and extended periods of notice; salvaging insolvent companies and their jobs from the scrap heap: and a background of public education, housing, health and education schemes made any difference.

One would be tempted to ask what on earth the rulers can do before there is to be a response from the ruled, if Lord Kaldor had not found us the answer, surprisingly, in *Der Spiegel*. All that is necessary is that our managers should be of higher quality, should invest adequately, and be nice to their staff.

If our system were prepared to tolerate the differential of real rewards that is available for managers elsewhere, then we could get rid of the divisive status symbols that inevitably and inadequately have taken their place. Mandating the same terms of service for all employees in the same undertaking would be a fair bargain for a major reduction in higher tax levels on earned income. As to investment, one only needs to consider the huge array of public expenditures since 1945 which have yielded derisory benefits in improving industrial relations. Cutting back on some of these should release more than adequate funds for investment.

What the nation can no longer tolerate or sustain is the continued enlargement of state benefits and protection for the employed and unemployed without any response. Whatever Lord Kaldor may say about management, if the employed will not respond to institutional decency by the state, then it is time for the resources which it has arrogated to itself to be applied in a different way.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID GREEN,
Rhyd yr Harding,
Castle Morris,
near Haverfordwest,
Pembrokeshire.

From Mr W. R. Eyres

Sir, Sir John Figgess suggests in his letter of September 30 that the UK productivity could be improved by adopting the Japanese bonus payment system, but I doubt if this would transform the attitudes of the British employee.

Japanese society is formal and hierarchical, with strong family and corporate loyalties. Regarding financial reward, perhaps the crucial element is the Japanese seniority-wage system, whereby incomes are determined primarily by length of service. This basis of remuneration avoids problems of differentials and promotes loyalty to the company.

It should be added that economic growth has also been based on large-scale capital investment, facilitated by a high level of personal savings, which are necessary in a country with limited social security benefits.

As long as our society is organized in such a contrasting way to that of the Japanese, we can hardly expect to achieve their industrial harmony or performance.

Yours faithfully,
R. EYRES,
27 Grove Terrace, NW5.
October 2.

Intervention in Rhodesia

From Mr Malcolm Rifkind, MP for Pentlands (Conservative)

Sir, Your leading article of September 29 refers to the possibility "that Britain could unilaterally reassume responsibility for Rhodesia in the event of a straight surrender offer to London by Mr Smith and his black ministerial colleagues".

May I suggest that it will be unwise and unfortunate if direct British or Western intervention in Rhodesia has to await a specific invitation from Salisbury.

Firstly, the history of UDI, the internal politics of the Rhodesian Front and the personality of Mr Smith makes such a surrender offer inconceivable unless and until the present regime was already in its death throes.

Secondly, for Britain to respond to such an appeal at such a late date would seem like an operation designed more to rescue Mr Smith than to facilitate a peaceful transition to majority rule. There would be little or no hope of cooperation from the rest of Africa, the United Nations or even many other Western Governments.

If British rule is to be reestablished in Rhodesia, it should be done earlier rather than later and, if necessary, without an express invitation from Mr Smith. It should, also, be part of a general Western initiative similar to that taken in Namibia but with a military component to ensure a swift handover to effective British control.

Such an arrangement would have major advantages for both whites and blacks. The resumption of British control and the enforced resignation of Mr Smith and his colleagues would result in an immediate end to sanctions as Rhodesia would be, in both law and fact, a British colony. One could also expect an immediatet termination to the guerrilla war as neither Zambia nor Mozambique could have any interest in a terrorist solution once the Smith regime had lost power.

It is in the interests of the West as a whole to preempt Soviet and Cuban involvement in Rhodesia and to facilitate free elections that would enable an African government with genuine popular support to take over the reins of power. These objectives will be frustrated if we simply allow Rhodesia to sink into civil war and anarchy before being willing to mount a pitiful rescue operation.

Britain and the West can still take the initiative in Rhodesia. If we don't, the Soviet Union and Cuba will.

Yours sincerely,
MALCOLM RIFKIND,
House of Commons.

Buying US engines

From Mr John Goldsmith

Sir, Mrs Edelman (*The Times*, September 29) finds Sir Freddy Laker's action in buying US engines "disappointing" and complains that, by so doing, he is pursuing his own short term commercial interest, rather than the long term interest of the aircraft industry and the country.

It is precisely because Sir Freddy's *commercial* judgment is so sound that his company continues to prosper, that international flight has ceased to be the exclusive province of the excessively rich and that he is in a position to buy engines from anyone at all. If the British aircraft industry applied some of the same principles, they might be in a position to sell engines to Sir Freddy.

The long term interest of this country will be much better served by men, like Sir Freddy, whose enterprise creates employment and prosperity, than by the artificial propping up of inefficient industries out of a sense of bogus patriotism which is all very fine in the short term but, in the long term, is suicidal.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN GOLDSMITH,
17A Hampstead Lane,
Highgate, N6.

Teaching maths for everyday use

From Professor Michael J. French

Sir, The justification of teaching mathematics in the schools must rest overwhelmingly on its use by the many and not on its benefit to the tiny minority who may go on to appreciate the beautiful structures of advanced modern mathematics—perhaps one in ten thousand.

In the past—say, up to 30 years ago—there was no great difference in the mathematics that might be taught for use and that which might be taught to budding pure mathematicians. Today, the situation is radically changed, and the syllabuses are being invaded by pompous fatuities, relevant only to the narrow interests of pure mathematicians, such as distinguishing between fractions and ratios in order to provide another examples.

We are told that students will in future have less manipulative skill but a better grasp of concepts. In practice, we find that any better grasp of concepts is purely academic and does not extend to recognising their nature or when and how to apply them to real problems.

In view of the growing gulf between users and academic practitioners, it is disturbing to see the membership of the Government Committee of Inquiry into the Teaching of Mathematics in Primary and Secondary Schools (*The Times*, September 28) which appears very unfairly loaded in favour of the two narrow minority interests concerned (pure mathematics and teaching) instead of being more representationally constituted with users in the majority, as they so overwhelmingly are in the community at large. It is hardly likely that such a committee will draw attention to the faults that are so apparent to students, parents, employers and teachers of subjects using mathematics, both in schools and in higher education.

Yours faithfully,
M. J. FRENCH,
Department of Engineering,
University of Lancaster,
Bailrigg,
Lancaster.
September 29.

From Mr Frank Hansford-Miller

Sir, As a teacher of mathematics, am I alone in considering extremely odd the choice of membership of the Government's committee of inquiry into the teaching of mathematics in primary and secondary schools in England and Wales?

The chairman is a university vice-chancellor from Ulster and, among the plethora of administrators, college and university lecturers, a retired trade union leader and an as yet un-named student member, there is but one secondary school teacher, and that not a comprehensive, and but one junior school teacher (and thus no infants' teacher).

Moreover the geographical distribution of the membership seems specifically designed to ignore any experience of inner city schools in Inner London, Manchester or the whole of Yorkshire.

With so limited a membership, the committee is a waste of public time and money. Any conclusions it reaches will obviously be not only of little value but positively dangerous in assisting in the better teaching of mathematics in schools, upon which the future prosperity of our people so greatly depends.

Yours faithfully,
FRANK HANSFORD-MILLER,
Head of Department of Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science, 1957-1974.
Haverstock Comprehensive School,
Chalk Farm, NW3.
September 30.

Hampton Court limes

From Mrs Mavis Batey

Sir, There is an increasing interest in the conservation of historic gardens and, unquestionably, Hampton Court is one of the most important examples of this rich cultural heritage. Nevertheless, it is clear from many of the recent letters to *The Times* that the proposal to clear-fell the lime avenues for the sake of restoring the symmetry of the historic layout is a controversial issue.

Clearly, local residents would agree with the Director of the Tree Council in his letter (September 27) that it is necessary to fell the few potentially dangerous trees; their concern is for the many young and healthy trees whose fate is also in the balance.

It is hoped that Lady Birk and the experts she is consulting will proceed with their admirable intention of formulating a conservation policy for Hampton Court with due regard to historical precedent.

Circumstances have changed considerably, however, since the imagined c 1700 Kip engraving. The great baroque design striving for depth and movement in the landscape would have looked very different when overlaid on the countryside; today avenues of young trees can only extend the vistas into suburbia.

The bones of the French layout are retained in the geometry of the canal and the gravel paths and, if more attention were paid to the planting in the parterres, it may not be necessary to insist on a uniform height for the trees in order to restore the grand design.

It will be most unfortunate if ecology and garden history cannot be reconciled at Hampton Court, since our great gardens and parks have always made a vital contribution to the environment, especially in the vicinity of great cities.

Yours faithfully,
M. L. BATEY,
Honorary Secretary,
The Garden History Society,
Charbury Road,
Oxford.

From Dr John Bray

Sir, Dr Hans Molisch, in the *Longevity of Plants*, records limes that have been still alive at 800 years. Three hundred years is middle aged for a lime. Even so, old trees like old men, need care, not euthanasia.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN BRAY,
Honorary Secretary,
Fund for Research on Ageing,
5 Cambridge Gate, NW1.
October 1.

ue Anti Nazi League

m Professor Rogden, Harrison Professor John Rex

We were among the couple of dred people who agreed to act "sponsors" of the Anti Nazi gue. We did so on the clear derstanding that nothing would done to encourage "punch-ups". would we associate ourselves h demands that the state should or outlaw fascists or neo-ists.

Ve pointed to the danger of ver-kill". The National Front was and is not a national movent. It must be sought out and troyed within its local strongds.

Ve suggested that this might best done, not merely by opposing the cist but by affirming our darity with our black fellow zens who are often treated with courtesy; discriminated against; sometimes made afraid to go out their own lawful pursuits.

o far as we are aware the League worked within these guidelines. reover, its organisers have exhibited great energy and remarkable flair (We ourselves would gladly "rock against racism" but for our fear that we might bring "rock" into disrepute).

We conjecture that it is to the credit of the League, rather than to the credit of the Board of Deputies of British Jews or the Joint Committee Against Racialism, that the National Front is in retreat at a time so favourable to its advance.

We are entertained by the suggestion that we are a couple of political simpletons who are being used by the Socialist Workers' Party. Why does it never occur to anyone that the relationship might be just the reverse?

It is men like Mr Savitt and Dr Gewirtz (September 23) who are behaving like the Babes in the Wood. There is no "non-partisan fight against racism" which "must unite all those who sincerely believe in the rule of law".

It is harder for Conservatives! Reducing the power of the National Front helps the Labour Party.

Accordingly, non-partisan committees and boards talk uneasily about "fights" and never mount campaigns which capture the popular imagination.

If they did, Mr Ronald Burt would include them in the "race relations lobby" and Mr Bernard Levin would tell them to go back to Russia.

Yours sincerely,
ROYDEN HARRISON,
JOHN REX,
University of Warwick.

Labour defectors

From Mr Martin Carmichael

Sir, David Wood's article (October 2) on defectors from the Labour Party makes no mention of four former Ministers who are arguably more important in political terms than almost any of his eight "Tory converts": Lord Robens, Lord Shawcross, Lord George-Brown and Sir Richard Marsh.

I am, etc.
MARTIN CARMICHAEL,
County End,
Bushey Heath,
Hertfordshire.

COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE

October 3: By command of The Queen, the Lord Somerleyton (Lord in Waiting) this evening was present at Heathrow Airport, London, upon the departure of The Sultan of Brunei and bade farewell to His Highness on behalf of Her Majesty.

KENSINGTON PALACE

October 3: The Duke of Gloucester, as Patron, was present at a Dinner given by the British-Mexican Society at the Savoy Hotel this evening.

Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland, was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE

October 3: The Duke of Kent, as President, today attended the Automobile Association Committee Meeting at Fanum House, London.

Captain James Greenfield was in attendance.

A memorial service for Judge Richard Marven Hale Everett, QC, will take place in Gray's Inn Chapel tomorrow at 4.45 pm.

Birthdays today

Mr Adrian Bell, 77; Air Chief Marshal Sir Kenneth Cross, 67; Air Vice-Marshal Sir Peter Dixon, 71; Lieutenant-General Sir Robert Drew, 71; Mr W. J. Evans, 79; Dr F. Dudley Hart, 69; Sir John Hogg, 66; Mr Michael Hordern, 67; Lord Roborough, 75; the Right Rev Dr R. D. Say, 64; Mr F. R. H. Swann, 74; Sir Rowland Wright, 63.

Today's engagements

The Duke of Kent, as patron of the British Computer Society, opens the society's offices in Mansfield Street, London, 12.

The Duchess of Kent, as patron, opens the new halls of residence for medical and dental students, St George's Hospital, Tooting, 2.30.

Antiques fair: Olde Gate House Hotel, Highgate, 10-4.

Recitals: Quadagina String Quartet, St Olave, Hart Street, 1.05. Organ, St Margaret's, Lothbury, 1.10. Organ, St Bride's, 1.15. Soprano, St Martin, Ludgate, 1.15.

Lectures: October Saints, National Gallery, 1. Van Gogh and Gauguin, Tate Gallery, 1. Neolithic to T'ang Dynasty, Victoria and Albert Museum, 1.15.

Exhibitions: Royal Society of Marine Artists, Guildhall Art Gallery, 10-5. Henry Moore: Eighieth birthday exhibition, Serpentine Gallery, 10-7. Ludwig: The Dream King, Victoria and Albert Museum, 10-5.30.

Walks: Discovering London: Mayfair, meet Green Park station, 11. Ghosts of the West End, meet Embankment station, 7.30.

Requiems for Pope John Paul, Southwark Cathedral, 1.10 pm; St George's Roman Catholic Cathedral, Southwark, 7.30 pm.

25 years ago

From The Times of Saturday, Oct 3, 1953

Cape Coloured Bill

Cape Town, Oct 2.—The Union Parliament sitting in joint session today agreed to permit the Prime Minister, Dr Malan, to introduce his latest move to separate coloured voters from whites and give them limited group representation in Parliament, members of both Houses crowding the lofty House of Assembly chamber approved by 117 votes to 57 the Prime Minister's motion for leave to introduce a Bill to validate the 1951 Separate Representation of Voters Act. The South African appeal court had rejected that Act as unconstitutional because it was passed by only simple majorities in both Houses instead of a two-thirds majority in a joint session. Two Opposition amendments, one by the minority Labour Party entirely rejecting the motion and the other by the official United Party Opposition asking for certain prior assurances over consultation of coloured people and future constitutional moves, were both defeated. Five members of the United Party who have left or resigned from its caucus (parliamentary group) over differences with the leadership on the coloured vote left the chamber when the division was called on the amendments.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J. R. Wild and Miss C. J. Block

The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Lady Wild and the late Sir Richard Wild, of Karori, Wellington, New Zealand, and Caroline, eldest daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs J. R. Block, of Naphill, Buckinghamshire.

Mr S. Brown and Miss A. Savidge

The engagement is announced between Stephen, elder son of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Brown, of 26 Melbury Road, Woodthorpe, Nottingham, and Andrea, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs Rex Savidge, of Vale Court Farm, Cold Ashton, Chippenham, Wiltshire.

Mr R. J. W. Catto and Miss J. M. Monday

The engagement is announced between Robert elder son of Dr and Mrs J. R. W. Catto, of Coventry, Warwickshire, and Judith, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. J. Monday, of Lewes, Sussex.

Mr A. P. Gray and Miss S. F. Thoms

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs K. M. C. Gray, 13 Eildon Street, Edinburgh, and Sylvia, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. F. M. Thoms, Greenways, Ridgeway, Hutton Mount, Brentwood, Essex.

Mr B. J. Harris and Dr D. L. Smith

The engagement is announced between Bernard, only son of Mr and Mrs E. J. Harris, of 2 Nairne Grove, London, SE24, and Diana, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs C. J. Smith, of 64 Fitzjames Avenue, Croydon, Surrey.

Mr D. A. N. Hogarth and Miss L. E. T. Gaillet

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs John Hogarth, of Edith Weston, Rutland, and Linda, daughter of Mr and Mrs Simon Gaillet, of Walton, Surrey.

Mr C. J. Poyser and Miss M. F. Rees

The engagement is announced between Crispin, youngest son of Mr and Mrs E. S. Poyser, of Woodborough, Nottinghamshire, and Felicity, fourth daughter of Mr and Mrs K. J. Rees, of Bournemouth.

Marriage

Mr N. R. Cowling and Miss V. M. Chase

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 30, in Guildford, between Mr Norman Ramsay Cowling, younger son of the late Mr Herbert John Cowling and of Mrs Cowling, and Miss Venetia Marian Chase, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Ramsay Chase, of Godalming.

Latest wills

Mrs Millie Miller, of Highgate, London, former Labour MP for Redbridge, Ilford North, left £18,796 net. She died intestate.

Dr Bertie William Edward Trevor-Roper, of Alnwick, father of Professor Hugh Trevor-Roper, left £17,641 net.

Mrs Enid Muriel Hyem, of Beaconsfield, left £93,902 net.

After personal legacies of £7,250 and her car she left the residue equally between Help the Aged, Missions to Seamen, and the Pine Ridge Dog Sanctuary, Ascot.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):

Linstead, Lady, of Putney, London, wife of Sir Hugh Linstead, former MP for Putney £10,824

Maclean, Mr Kenneth, of Southmoor, Oxfordshire .. £116,535

Wedd, Mr Walter Theodore Victor, of Melbourn, Hertfordshire £159,880

Luncheons

Lady Mayoress

The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress entertained the following guests at luncheon at the Mansion House yesterday: Lady Antonia Fraser, Sir John and Lady Nicholson, the President of the Law Society and Mrs J. C. Palmer, Mr Harold Pinter, Mr and Mrs Wallis, G. G. Hunt, Mr and Mrs Paul Scofield, and Mr and Mrs David Innes.

Royal College of Surgeons of England

Professor A. J. Hardings Rains, Dean of the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences, Royal College of Surgeons of England, held a luncheon yesterday at the college in honour of Professor Sir George Smart on his retirement as Director of the British Postgraduate Medical Federation. Among those present were: Sir James Baird, Mr H. H. Blandford, Sir Miles Clifford, Mr M. E. Coops, Professor N. Crawford, Professor C. W. Cruse, Mr W. F. Davis, Mr J. Hadfield, Mr H. G. Hanley, Sir Frank Hartley, Professor M. Hobsley, Mr R. J. R. Humphries, Mr R. S. Johnson-Gilbert, Mr A. E. Jones, Mr W. S. Lewin, Professor G. P. Lewis, Mr G. C. Lloyd-Roberts, Sir Douglas Logan, Professor R. M. H. McMinn, Mr R. S. Murley, Professor J. P. Payne, Professor J. G. Robson, Sir James Paterson Ross, Lord Smith of Marlow, Professor D. E. M. Taylor, Mr R. J. Townsend, Professor J. L. Turk, Professor R. Warwick, and Mr D. Innes Williams.

Receptions

HM Government

Lord Kirkhill, Minister of State, Scottish Office, was host last night at a reception at Edinburgh Castle for members of the sixth Council of Europe seminar in applied ecology.

Britain-Burma Society

Mr Michael Marshall, MP, was host at a reception given by the Britain-Burma Society at the House of Commons yesterday. The Burmese Ambassador and Professor A. W. Woodruff, chairman of the society, also spoke. Among those present were: The Earl of Listowel, U Maung Maung Gyi, Lieutenant-Colonel Ting Tung, Professor Mc. Minn and Mr J. Beale.

Institution of Civil Engineers

The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster attended the annual president's reception of the Institution of Civil Engineers, which was held yesterday evening at the institution. Mr A. M. Muir Wood, president, and Mrs Muir Wood received the guests, who included: Lord and Lady Mais, Lord Shackleton, Sir Ian Bancroft, the Chairman of the CEGB and Mrs Mote, presidents of professional institutions and societies and presidents and secretaries of engineering institutions in the EEC.

Dinners

British Mexican Society

The Duke of Gloucester, patron of the British Mexican Society, was present at the annual dinner of the society held yesterday evening at the Savoy Hotel. The guests were received by Mr H. B. McKenzie Johnston, chairman of the society, and Mrs McKenzie Johnston. Others present included: The Mexican Ambassador (president) and Señora de Tello, Sir John Rodgers, MP, Sir John and Lady Llewellyn, Sir Peter and Lady Garran, Sir Nicolas and Lady Mabel Cheetham, Sir Peter and Lady Hope, Mrs Marie-Luisa Fordham, Señor and Señora Héctor Cárdenas, and Mr and Mrs George Hall.

Indo-British Association

To commemorate the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi (October 2), a dinner was given by the Indo-British Association yesterday evening at the Sujata Restaurant. Mr Swraj Paul presided. Those present included: Mrs S. Paul, Sir Raghavan Pillai, Mr and Mrs James Hore-Ruthven, Dr and Mrs F. R. Aichin, Mr and Mrs George Evans, Dr and Mrs S. D. Malaiperuman, Mr Peter Nieswand, Mr Harminder Singh and Mr V. Nair.

Wales and Chester Circuit

The Wales and Chester Circuit held a dinner at Gray's Inn on Saturday, September 30, in honour of Mr Justice Waterhouse. Among those present were: The Lord Chancellor, Mr Peter Thomas, QC, MP, Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, Lord Edmund-Davies, Mr Justice Megaw, Mr Justice Wien, Mr Justice Watkins, Mr Justice Phillips, Mr Esyr Lewis, QC (leader), Mr Michael Gibbon, QC (treasurer), and Mr D. Elgan Edwards (junior).

Law Society

The Lord Chancellor attended a dinner at Lincoln's Inn Hall on Monday given by the president of the Law Society, Mr John C. Palmer, and the chairman of the Bar, Mr David Hirst, QC, to entertain their counterparts from Europe, the United States, and Canada.

Service dinners

Hawke Term (RN Colleges, 1918-1922)

The annual and diamond jubilee dinner of Hawke Term (RN Colleges, 1918-1922) was held last night at the Army and Navy Club. Vice-Admiral Sir Kaye Edden presided and those present included: Commander A. H. Attfield, Lieutenant-Commander W. Bagwell, Captain J. E. Bast, Mr A. R. Bromley-Davenport, Commander H. R. Caddy, Mr A. E. Cook, Colonel Sir John Compton-Inglefield, Major J. C. Dent, Colonel J. C. R. Fitzgerald-Lombard, the Rev A. E. Fo, Mr H. M. Graham, Lieutenant-Colonel J. B. Lambard, Commander W. B. Monk, Commander C. H. de B. Newby, the Hon J. M. W. North, Commander W. M. Passmore, Vice-Admiral Sir Lancelot Pelly, Commander E. M. Penton, Mr J. A. Reiss, Brigadier C. W. P. Richardson, Commander R. Tinney, Commander T. J. Turner and Mr J. F. Worthington.

Gallipoli Association

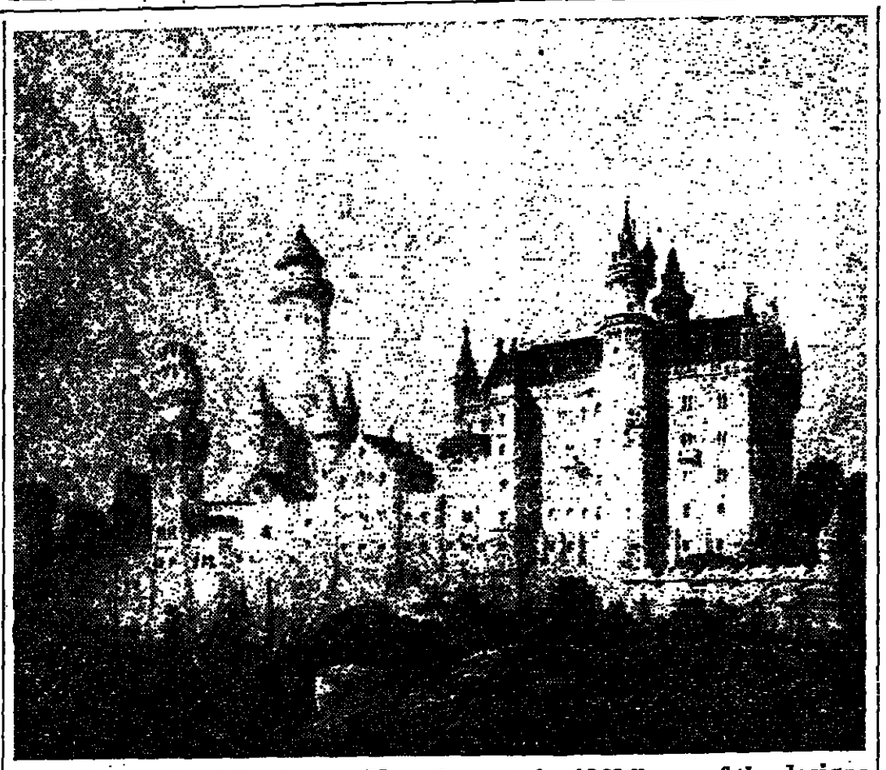
Mr Winston S. Churchill, MP, proposed the toast to the Gallipoli Association at the annual dinner held last night at the RAF Club, London. Lieutenant-General Sir Reginald Savory presided.

Bravery award

Mr John Jappy, a London Transport station foreman at Piccadilly Circus, is to receive the Royal Humane Society's Testimonial on Parchment today for rescuing a passenger from the electric track under a Tube train. The incident happened six weeks after Mr Jappy was presented with an award for a similar rescue.

Poetry Society

The address of the Poetry Society, whose national poetry competition was announced in The Times on September 22, is: 21 Earls Court Square, London, SW5.



Christian Jank's "Design for Neuschwanstein, 1869", one of the designs executed for King Ludwig II of Bavaria and on show at the Victoria and Albert Museum from today until December 17.

'Have nots' want their heritage back

From Charles Hargrove
Palermo, Oct 3

The right of developing countries to a cultural memory—in other words, to the return of cultural objects to those who created them—was eloquently pleaded yet again by representatives of former French and English-speaking territories of Africa at a Unesco seminar of experts and journalists here this week.

The highly emotional subject has already been embodied in two resolutions passed by the general assembly of Unesco; in discussions by two committees of experts in Venice and Dakar in the past two years; and in an appeal last June by Mr Amadou Mahtar M'Bow, the director-general of Unesco, to world public opinion.

"Some people", he said, "have lost almost all the objects which constitute for them a message from the past, and are an essential element of their collective memory. They demand understanding for the deprivation they feel."

The Unesco general assembly, which meets in Paris later this month, is expected to decide to set up an inter-governmental committee of about 20 members to attempt to carry out all these resolutions and recommendations.

An illustration of the psychological impact was given to the seminar in Palermo by Mr Ekpo Eyo, the Director of antiquities of Nigeria. More in sorrow than in anger he said that when his country decided to set up a national museum of art in 1957, it appealed to curators in Europe and America for the gift of a few representative objects of the civilization of Benin. The response was nil.

What the museum acquired, had to be purchased, at very high prices on the world art market. Ten years later, the attempt to set up another museum in Benin City was equally unsuccessful. Prices had risen so high that many gaps in the collection had to be filled with copies or photographs.

There were 40,000 to 50,000 objects of art illustrating the traditional culture of Benin in British museums, Mr Eyo went on. Others were scattered all over Europe.

They were the spoils of a punitive raid led by the British in 1897 on the capital of the state, in reprisal for the death of seven English explorers who had insisted on seeing the secret rites conducted each year by the king. The king was exiled to Calabar, his palace burnt, and its contents shipped to Britain.

M Pierre Quoniam, director of the Louvre, said: "The first duty of any curator is the conservation of collections entrusted to his care. He gave a warning that if the proper conditions of security, conservation and display of returned objects were not available in the receiving countries, such gestures would be "a bad operation, even a bad deed". They would not play the capital part they should in cultural cooperation between developed and developing countries.

This prompted a remark by an Iranian delegate that there were many museums in the Western world which did not meet by far ideal conditions of security and conservation of works of art.

Whichever way one looks at this problem, it is a fact, borne out by the seminar, that every member nation of Unesco agrees with the principle of restitution of art objects. It remains to find ways of putting it into practice.

Mr Mucea Popescu, the director of the Romanian Council for Culture, pleaded for concrete gestures by the cultural "have" nations towards the "have nots".

A delegate from Senegal suggested that if Western countries did not respond to the appeals of developing nations, the reason was that they were too secure in the comfort of their own cultural heritage. They were not sufficiently aware of "the frustration of developing countries at the deprivation of their past, and their desire to bring together the crumbs of their national identity scattered everywhere."

£1m appeal for Exeter Cathedral

By Philip Howard

Yet another of our great cathedrals is appealing for rescue from the erosion of the centuries, particularly the dirty century and a half since the industrial revolution.

A service of dedication in Exeter Cathedral on Saturday is going to launch an appeal for £1m to halt serious dilapidation and begin restoration, especially of the medieval sculptures on the great image screen at the west front and of the south Norman tower. Both those distinctive glories of the cathedral are critically decayed, and will be lost unless they are repaired now.

Lord Amory, president of the appeal, held a press conference at the Deanery yesterday. He said: "It is unthinkable that we should neglect our urgent duty to work and to give generously to secure this jewel of our heritage for future generations. I ask all who treasure our religious and cultural history to respond with all possible generosity in the present time of need. Our generation in its turn must not, and I know will not, fail in its responsibilities."

The Prince of Wales, whose Duchy of Cornwall was part of the diocese of Exeter until a century ago, is president of the Exeter Cathedral Preservation Trust. In the appeal he writes: "I know that the trustees, some of whom have no particular allegiance to the Church of England, share my concern that it would be a great tragedy if we did not take our responsibilities seriously and allowed this building to disintegrate."

The image screen, with its 94 figures, was completed in 1360 as an outer facing to the original west wall of the Romanesque cathedral. The figures are arranged in three rows and form a Benedicite in stone of patriarchs, prophets, apostles, evangelists, kings, saints, angels and virtues.

The earliest and most remarkable examples of fourteenth-century carving are 10 figures of kings or saints. Those sculptures, having survived the image-smashing enthusiasts of the Reformation and the Commonwealth with surprisingly little damage, have been eaten away by the leprosy of air pollution.

With the experience gained from preserving the sculptures at Wells Cathedral, immediate action can be taken to save the Exeter sculptures.

Other parts of the fabric are dangerously decayed. The most dilapidated is the south Norman tower, which is more exposed to the elements than its twin on the north side. It is badly eroded; a number of stones are insecure; considerable areas need to be restaced. Much of the Romanesque carved detail, more ornate than that of the north tower and the richest and most extensive example of such Norman work in the country, is disappearing fast.

The Dean and Chapter are seeking permission to reopen the quarry at Branscombe, Devon, which they owned seven centuries ago and from which the stone for the cathedral came. A new cathedral workshop is being established. And work is going ahead to save the cathedral that Bishop John Grandisson correctly described to a fourteenth-century Pope as marvellous in beauty and surpassing every church of its kind in England or France.

Inquiries and contributions should be sent to the Exeter Cathedral Appeal Office, 1 The Cloisters, Exeter, EX1 1HS.

University news

London

LSE: Miss Susan Strange has been appointed Montague Burton Professor of International Relations.

Manchester

Mr K. E. Kitchen is to succeed Mr Vincent Knowles as Registrar of Manchester University on the latter's retirement on October 1 next year.

Loughborough

LECTURESHIPS: Dr J. Shield, BSc, PhD, digital electronics; Dr R. Hamilton, MA, DPhil, English; Dr G. Petis, BSc, PhD, geography; Dr R. Ward, BA, PhD, biology; Mrs Adrianne Hardman, MSc and Miss Brenda Read, physical education and sports science.

Dundee

Appointments

Post doctoral research fellows: R. W. Jones (biochemistry); Dr S. Krauter (biochemistry); Miss P. J. Hannah (biological sciences). Research fellow: N. C. Shad (mathematics); reader: Dr I. H. M. Smart (anatomy).

Grants:

Medical Research Council: £19,305 to Dr D. H. Boxer for research into the assembly of a multimeric membrane protein; £164,129 to Dr Cohen for research into the causes of diabetes; £23,646 to Dr D. A. Stansfield and J. L. Young for research into the activation and solubilization of adenylate cyclase of the corpus luteum. Natural Environment Research Council: £16,500 to Dr C. M. Brown for research into the biological basis of chemical changes in cycling processes in inshore marine sediments. Leverhulme Trust Fund: £31,849 to Dr A. M. Jones to study the population biology of littoral molluscs.

Church news

Appointments

The Rev Peter Croft, Rector of Washington, Tyne and Wear, to be diocesan information officer, diocese of Sheffield.

The Rev J. W. Elliott, Vicar of Lamesley, Gateshead, diocese of Durham, to be Rector of Usworth Team Ministry, same diocese.

The Rev J. D. Fowler, Team Vicar of Isles of Scilly, diocese of Truro, to be priest-in-charge of Ashbrittle with Bathealton, Stawley and Kittisford, diocese of Bath and Wells.

The Rev M. F. Loveless, assistant curate of St Peter's, Caversham, Reading, diocese of Oxford, to be priest-in-charge of St Andrew's, Caversham.

The Rev H. Sutton, Canon Missioner of the South American Missionary Society and honorary Canon of Argentina, to be Vicar of St Paul's, Portman Square, diocese of London.

Diocese of Carlisle

The Rev V. M. S. Ellis, Vicar of St John the Evangelist, Keswick, and the Vicar and Rural Dean of Brampton, to be Honorary Canons of Carlisle Cathedral.

Diocese of Chelmsford

The Rev G. H. Colman, recently Vicar of St Erkenwald's, Barking, to be Colchester Archdeaconry Youth Chaplain.

The Rev P. Swinbank, Vicar of Hinton with Dinnington, diocese of Bath and Wells, to be Vicar of Lindsell.

Diocese of Ely

The Rev J. S. Francis, Rector of Willingham, to be Rural Dean of North Stowe.

The Rev E. de T. W. Longford, Rector of Gamlingay, to be also priest-in-charge of Hatley St George and East Hatley.

Diocese of Exeter

The Rev J. W. G. Godeck, priest-in-charge of Dunchideock and Shillingford St George with Ide, to be Rector of the benefice.

The Rev J. C. Spear, Team Vicar in the Exe Valley Team Ministry, to be priest-in-charge of Instow and Westleigh.

Diocese of Hereford

The Rev R. H. Hill, Prebendary of Hereford Cathedral, to be Prebendary Emeritus.

The Rev W. J. R. Morrison, Rector of Ludlow, to be Prebendary of Hereford Cathedral and Rural Dean of Ludlow.

The Rev C. M. Oldroyd, Rector-designate of Ledbury and priest-in-charge-designate of Eastnor, to be also Rural Dean of Ledbury.

The Rev S. C. Strong, Vicar of St Peter with St Owen, Hereford, to be Prebendary of Hereford Cathedral.

Diocese of Leicester

The Rev R. Malsbury, Vicar of Scraptoft and the Rev D. V. Treanor, Vicar of Humberstone, to be Honorary Canons of Leicester Cathedral.

Diocese of St Albans

The Rev D. E. Cook, Vicar of St Paul's, Luton to be priest-in-charge of Stanbridge with Tilsworth, Leighton Buzzard.

The Rev D. B. M. Warren, Rector of Sandy, to be priest-in-charge of Westmill, Bandingford and Great Munden, Ware.

Resignations:

The Rev R. W. Clues, Vicar of St Denys', Southampton, diocese of Winchester, Jan 31, 1979.

The Rev T. S. Davies, Vicar of Chelmsford Moppitchet, diocese of Chelmsford, Dec 1.

The Rev J. E. Marshall, Vicar of Stoke-sub-Hamdon, diocese of Bath and Wells, Dec 31.

The Rev R. W. Nesling, Vicar of Bosted with Lingham, diocese of Chelmsford, Oct 31.

Bravery award

Mr John Jappy, a London Transport station foreman at Piccadilly Circus, is to receive the Royal Humane Society's Testimonial on Parchment today for rescuing a passenger from the electric track under a Tube train. The incident happened six weeks after Mr Jappy was presented with an award for a similar rescue.

Poetry Society

The address of the Poetry Society, whose national poetry competition was announced in The Times on September 22, is: 21 Earls Court Square, London, SW5.



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Science report

Genetics: Twins with two fathers

By the Staff of Nature

Tissue-typing, which is increasingly used instead of more conventional blood tests to settle cases of disputed paternity, has been used in California to establish that particular disputed twins have in fact two fathers. Twins with different fathers have been indentified before, but only in cases where racial differences between the fathers, or conclusive differences between blood groups, have by chance made it possible. Tissue types, like blood groups, are genetically determined but they are much more variable and it is thus much less likely that a child will share tissue types with both putative fathers.

In the case investigated by Dr Paul I. Terasaki and a team of collaborators at the University of California in Los Angeles, the question of a second father arose only when it was discovered that one of the twins had a tissue type that he could not have inherited from his mother or the putative father examined.

When asked whether anyone else could have fathered her twins, the mother identified a second man whose tissue type proved consistent with that of the second twin. It turned out that she had always suspected that her twins had different fathers but she had assigned them to the wrong ones.

Strictly speaking, tissue-type tests cannot definitely identify the father of a child, though they can rule out some candidates. The tests work on the same principle as blood group tests except that they are performed on white rather than red blood cells. White blood cells carry an array of tissue-type antigens on their surface; because there are several different antigens and each one can vary between individuals, it is very rare for any two people to have the same complete pattern of antigens or tissue type.

On the other hand, the antigens are inherited from the parents so a child cannot carry antigens that are not found in either parent. That was what enabled Dr Terasaki to establish that the first putative father could not have fathered the second twin, which had two antigens that were not present either on its mother's or on the first putative father's cells. Those two antigens were both found on the cells of the second putative father.

Because of the number and variety of tissue-type antigens it is possible to assign a very high probability of paternity, particularly when the mother identifies a specific man of whose tissue type she is hardly likely to have any knowledge. Red blood types are less informative because a very high proportion of the population is either A Rhesus positive or O Rhesus positive, with only occasional rare antigens that might single out an individual.

Source: New England Journal of Medicine (299, 590; 1978).

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Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

The Rev Murdo MacRitchie to be next year's Moderator of the General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland.

Mr Basil Saunders to be Director-General of the Association of Special Libraries and Information Bureaux in succession to Mr Leslie Wilson.

Dr M. V. Jeeva Raj to be consultant physician with an interest in geriatric medicine to the Birmingham Area Health Authority (Teaching), North Birmingham Health District.

Mr Eirlon Lewis to be the Independent Broadcasting Authority's officer for Wales and the West of England.

Clockmakers' Company

Mr E. W. Hunter Christie has been elected Master of the Clockmakers' Company for the ensuing year and Mr George Daniels, Mr J. C. Moss and Mr F. A. Mercer have been elected Senior Warden, Renter Warden and Junior Warden respectively.

OBITUARY

MR L. H. SCOTT

Headmaster and worker for youth

A correspondent writes:

Mr Leslie Holmes Scott, who was headmaster of the City of Bath Boys' School from 1946 to 1968, has died while on holiday in Ireland. He was a man with a lively and original mind who devoted his considerable gifts to the service of youth and to education in its widest sense. He never failed to see the best in any boy who was fortunate enough to come under his care, and was a source of inspiration and encouragement to staff and boys alike.

Born in Ulster and educated at Mill Hill School and Christ Church, Oxford, where he read Greats, Leslie Scott was Senior Classics Master at Leighton Park for five years before taking on the Bath headship.

His contribution to education extended far beyond local limits and his own subject. He was one of the most energetic and convinced instigators of the concept of a truly professional Teachers General Council, and he also fought keenly to promote the Agreement to Broaden the Curriculum. Leslie Scott was also deeply concerned with improving the teaching of science in schools, and in 196[illegible] he was invited to join Professor Neville Mott's Royal Society Committee on the teaching of science in schools as the only non-scientist member.

His enthusiasm for youth showed itself in other ways too. He served on Ruth Railton's Committee of the National Youth Orchestra from its inception—its first public performance was given at Bath in 1948—and he was also deeply involved with the Bath branch of Sir Robert Mayer's Youth and Music movement.

During an 18-year association with the National Association of Boys' Clubs he served as a member of the Council of both the Physical Recreation and Health Committees, and he was chairman of the Somerset Association of Boys' Clubs from 1950-53.

He will be remembered by countless young men, who through their schools and organizations came into contact with him, as a kind, just and humane man who at all times never failed to practise what he preached.

MR F. C. ROWAN

S.V.P. writes:

The death of Mr F. C. Rowan, at the age of 71, on September 18 brings to an end the long line of distinguished English lawyers who have served Sri Lanka over the past century from the pioneer days of the plantation industry to the more modern industrial and commercial conditions of that country.

Derrick, as he was universally known, joined Messrs Julius & Creasy, Solicitors in Colombo, in 1929 and was for many years the Senior Partner of that firm. He was a man of unmatched abilities and dynamic energy which drew to him clients from all walks of life. His counsel was sought equally by local and overseas interests and there survive many families, companies and institutions in Sri Lanka who benefited greatly from his advice. His departure from Ceylon in 1962 on his retirement was marked by his appointment as CBE for his distinguished services in Sri Lanka. He was held in the highest esteem by the Bench, Bar and the profession for his devotion to the highest professional standards and commercial probity. He will be missed but the principles he established and maintained in the legal profession in Sri Lanka will continue to serve that country well.

PROFESSOR BERNARD HALPERN

Professor Bernard Halpern, the French doctor who discovered the first artificial antihystamine, died in Paris on September 22 at the age of 73. Born in Tarnos-Rude in Russia, Halpern came to France in 1919, where he gained his medical doctorate. In 1942 he discovered the first of the artificial antihystamines, substances which play a major role in treating allergies. He later discovered applications of the antituberculer vaccine, BCG, in the treatment of certain forms of cancer.

MR F. R. RICHARDS

Mr Frank Roydon Richards, who died on October 1 at the age of 79, was Rector (Headmaster) of Glasgow Academy from 1932 to 1959. He went there from Bridlington School, of which he had been headmaster for four years. He had previously been assistant master at Christ's Hospital, where he had gone to school as a boy, and was at Glasgow Academy 10 year before he became its rector. He had thus experience both of English and Scottish schools and of day and boarding schools. He did much to raise the standards of work and was successful in developing wider interests, such as music, current events and history.

Frank Richards was born on January 16, 1899. Before going to Oxford he served in France in 1918 with the RGA. In 1920 he took a first class in Classical Moderations and in 1922 a second class in Literae Humaniores.

In 1927 he married Miss Nancy Warry and had two sons and two daughters; one son pre-deceased him.

Lieutenant-Colonel John Godman, CBE, late 15th/19th King's Royal Hussars, chairman of Gloucestershire County Council 1946-56, of the Severn River Board 1950-67; a Deputy Lieutenant and High Sheriff of the county in 1942, died on October 1. He was 92.

Lady Beryl Lennox Jarrad, who died on September 25, was the widow of Colonel Sir Vivian Jarrad who died in 1938 after nomination as a Knight Bachelor but before receiving the accolade.

PROFESSOR HERMES LIMA

Professor Hermes Lima, who was briefly Prime Minister of Brazil under President Goulart and was a founder of the Brazilian Socialist Party, died on October 1. He was 75. He was Prime Minister from September 1962, to January, 1963, the life of three men to head the government during a 17-month period of parliamentary government under Joao Goulart. He has also served as Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister of Labour in the Goulart administration.

A Brazilian authority on constitutional law, he was an emeritus professor of law at the universities of Bahia and Sao Paulo and the University of Brazil in Rio de Janeiro. He also served as a Justice of the Supreme Court but was retired and deprived of his political rights in 1968 by the right-wing military government which had overthrown Goulart and seized power in 1964.

PRINCE SERGE OBOLENSKY

Colonel Prince Serge Obolensky, who died on September 29 at Grosse Pointe, Michigan, was a member of a Russian noble family, and former officer of the Imperial Guard, who emigrated to America and was a leader of social circles. He also created public relations appointments which attracted great deal of personal publicity. He was 87.

Born on October 3, 1890, studied at St Petersburg University and Christ Church, Oxford, and after working as an investment broker he went to the United States in 19[illegible] and became naturalized in 19[illegible]. He took up banking and later hotel management, as well as public relations. A tall, handsome man, his name became a legend.

During the Second World War he served in an American parachute regiment. As recently as 10 years ago he found work publicity by the lavish scale on his entertaining—notably when he invited over 350 "aristocratic friends" from overseas to Nassau for the launching of a new hotel.

He was married first to the daughter of Tsar Alexander III, secondly to Alice Astor, daughter of the American financier; and thirdly to Marilyn I. Wahl in 1971.

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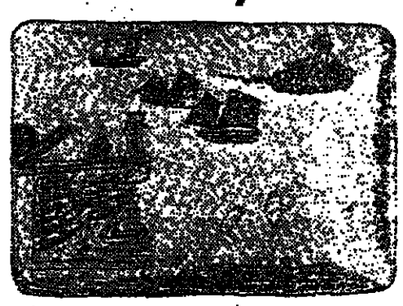
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CONCERTS

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THE ARTS




Magician and admirer : Valerine Perrine and Alan Arkin on set

They are making magic in Berlin

Berlin

Israel has an enthusiastic young film industry not yet stifled by union rules, which turns out a steady line in quick, cheap, domestic comedies for the home market. As the Israelis are still largely an immigrant nation the comedies revolve round the various new situations in which the arriving national groups can find themselves, and though romance and drama are clearly as much part of the country's conglomerate character as humour, so far no local writers have shown themselves capable of putting this successfully on screen.

Therefore it is with some excitement that the Israeli director Menahem Golan and his producer Yoram Globus (the two recently made the lightning version of the Entebbe Raid, *Operation Thunderbolt*) have finally emerged the owners of one of Isaac Bashevis Singer's most popular stories *The Magician of Lüblin*, after five years of negotiations. It is not often that a small country in terms of the film business—and this is Britain's problem too—can hope to corner a property beloved of the international market.

That is the theory behind the making of *The Magician* which is now being filmed in West Berlin with an Israeli, British and German cast and crew, financially underpinned by the Munich-based tax shelter company Geria. Actually though, no matter how popular the Polish-born Singer is on the bookstands, although the film business has immediately optioned each appearing novel it has been hitherto rather wary of seriously backing such ethnic stories. Globus says Barbra Streisand owns one short story which has never been financed. And Joe Levine had an option on *The Slave* for years with a similar fate. Globus is now trying to buy it.

The Magician was introduced to the Globus Golan team by the late Laurence Harvey when he was making the story of the Leningrad trials, *Escape to the Sun*, with Golan in Berlin. At that time Walter Reade, owner of the American cinema chain, had the rights, and a film was indeed projected with a Wolf Mankowitz script with Harvey playing the magician. With everything set to go, Reade went off on a Christmas holiday and died in a skiing accident. It took Golan two years to disentangle the rights from his estate, after which Harvey himself died.

On meeting Menahem Golan it quickly becomes apparent that this is a man who will not take no for an answer. His new magician is Alan Arkin, quite unrecognizable in theatrical black cape and wig, who adds as much calm to the set as Golan does drama. Filming with an Israeli crew is rather like filming with an Italian crew. There is much innovation, noise, frenzy and bustle which has a habit of creeping into the takes even though they are theoretically filming with live sound. This intention is further hampered by the fact that the West Berlin studios are within painful earshot of the airport and only one soundstage has as yet been soundproofed. Golan is constantly fighting for his life. He can work very fast, making the Entebbe story in a couple of weeks, but his attention to detail is obsessive. On *The Magician* he is aware of every prop, every point of continuity, every camera movement, every vocal nuance and mood, and he orchestrates technicians and actors in a search for continual high points which he pursues with tactless enthusiasm. The drama is further heightened by the fact that everything has to be conducted in three languages, Hebrew, German and English, and Golan is really the only bridge between the three.

For the Americans in the cast, who include Valerie Perrine as the countrywoman infatuated with the magician, and Louise Fletcher as the woman who obsesses him, this method of working can obviously prove exhausting.

He is working hard hours with a small crew and a neat budget and is not always careful to spoil them with the lavish security blankets to which they are accustomed. The Israelis love it and have a tremendous loyalty to the director who is really synonymous with the whole of their industry. He has an international reputation, four of his films have been nominated for Academy Awards, it was he who first put Chaim Topol on the map as the Fiddler on the Roof, and encouraged American film-makers to work in Israel while they reciprocated by inviting him to work in the United States with such actors as Tony Curtis and Jack Palance. He studied film-making at New York City University, though his career in showbusiness actually began at the Old Vic Theatre School. These days he lives in Los Angeles as much as Tel Aviv.

It is difficult to imagine, however, that *The Magician* could have been made successfully in Los Angeles. The story is full of middle-European sadness and irony, about a performer who desperately wants to escape his fantasies but only succeeds in involving everyone else more and more in them. In this context the unreal island of West Berlin seems the perfect location. But the Germans are bringing some very real contributions to the film. The art director Jurgen Kiebach who won an Oscar for *Cabaret* has designed some beautifully muted sets subjected to further subtlety from a permanently gauzed lens. And Arkin is being schooled in magic by a local night club performer, Ted Lesley—only the name is English—who can normally be seen compering on the Kurfürstendamm, stringing wedding rings together and smoking 10-mark bills in one of those strangely clinical clubs populated, contrary to the expectations of Isherwood fans, by middle-aged couples with home perms and walking shoes. Lesley's daily visits to the set are a piece of light relief to be thankful for, involving some charming animal tricks. White mice appear under glasses, white doves out of baskets full of flowers. Another soothing attraction is a pretty chimpanzee called Bella who was recently seen starring opposite Mastroianni in *Ciao Macchio* at the Cannes Film Festival.

If the actors feel any rivalry with these animals they do not show it. Visually the film promises to be a great success. But whether the world of magic will be as enchanting on screen, where everything is sleight of hand, must depend on Golan's and Alan Arkin's ability to emphasize the human being in the character of the magician, and the modern human being with whom every audience can identify as well as the tormented Polish Jew at the turn of the century.

Glenys Roberts

A raw disturbing force

The Transfiguration of Benno Blimpie
Bush

Ned Chaillet

There are still a few American playwrights waiting to make the Atlantic crossing, including most of the young women writers, but the past couple of years have changed the insular image of the London stage and an American accent of some sort must be part of the baggage of most young actors. With David Mamet and Thomas Babe, Albert Innaurato is one of the most discussed of the new writers. *The Transfiguration of Benno Blimpie* shows him writing for that most voracious corner of the stage, for the small theatres that lack prosceniums and auditoriums of a thousand seats.

Like the late, lamented B-movies that they sometimes resemble, such plays tend to be short and intense, perhaps with occasional maniacal jokes, but always with a superheated treatment of their themes. But the cop films at Saturday matinees in Brooklyn never went as far as Mr Babe's *A Prayer For My Daughter*, and reminiscing heroes in a bad position never had the disgusting sort of flashbacks that Benno Blimpie offers of his life.

It is not an easy task for an actor, for Benno tells his entire story from amid a pile of rubbish, the refuse of his forays for food. He announces that he is eating himself to death and the accumulated packaging from take-away pizzas, hamburgers and southern-fried chickens would suggest he was succeeding. Just how gruesomely, Mr Innaurato saves for the end.

The difficulty for the inflated actor, played by Robbie Coltrane, is that he must take part in the scenes of his reminiscence, becoming, without moving, a child of perhaps four, and a child of 14. He does it by simply turning his head and projecting his altered voice into the scenes being played around him. He succeeds surprisingly well, being almost tangibly present when Lynda Marchal as his bitter and insulting mother pours out her frustration at being older and unloved, and Miss Marchal has her success at finding a vein of rich comedy to match her pathos.

When Benno recalls a homosexual humiliation, it is mercifully conveyed only through words, though they are strong. When Benno's grandfather, well characterized by Michael Poole, is murdered by the Irish nymphet he has been fondling, the crime is acted in front of our and Benno's blinking eyes. It is made more effective for the provocative pubescence of Madeline Church's performance.

There is an annoying simplicity in Benno's complaint that the world demands looks and sex and cannot see the artist beneath the blubber, but it is neatly unemphasized in Simon Stockes's production. While it is far from a tasty evening's entertainment, it has a raw, disturbing force.

Graham Collier
Queen Elizabeth Hall

Max Harrison

The Park Lane Groups twenty-third season opened before a regrettably small audience, with two works by Graham Collier, *In the Tavern of His Birth* and *The Day of the Dead*. The latter was commissioned by the Ilkley Literature Festival and first performed earlier this year. The former was conceived as a companion piece and introduction to *The Day of the Dead*, and likewise first was heard earlier in the year.

Both pieces in fact are introductions, ostensibly aided by music, to the writings of Malcolm Lowry, and draw extensively from his *Under the Volcano*, *Dark As The Grave*, *Forest Path To The Spring*, his poems and letters. The format of both scores was similar, and rather predictable. An extract from one of the books was read, and read quite well by John Carbery, and this was either followed or simultaneously underlined by music that presumably was meant to echo the mood of the text. Such linkings or parallels between two different media are necessarily altogether subjective, and it is impossible to say how close Mr Collier's music got. Like oil and water, conceptual and non-conceptual arts do not mix well.

Nor can I tell whether the extracts chosen were representative of Lowry's writing. Their common denominator seemed to be at once a lament and celebration of the glories of excessive drinking, although some of the imagery was, also, sadistic. The music came from a small group directed by the composer, and was mainly heterophonic in the style of the free jazz of the 1960s. There was good saxophone playing by Alan Wakeman and some interesting guitar moments from Ed Speight, but one could not tell what was improvised and what was written.

This, of course, is a compliment to Mr Collier, for composed jazz should sound as if improvised, just as improvisations ought to have the concentration of written music. However, there was no escaping the impression of sameness, finally of monotony, that both works produced. And quite often one could not hear the words, so this could not have been an effective introduction to Lowry's writings.

Theatre and ballet at the Dublin Festival

In Sand
Oscar Theatre, Dublin

Irving Wardle

As befits the changes in the city itself, the spread of American ice cream parlours and Fortified hotels around an unchanged St Stephen's Green, the Dublin Theatre Festival is a part international and part intensely local affair.

The 20th festival is offering Russian, French, Swiss, and American productions alongside shows that it is hard to imagine outside their Irish setting. In the old days, these were sometimes known as "world dernieres", but under the festival's new Programme Director, Hugh Leonard, they look an interesting group. For a start, you get the full Dublin flavour by trekking out to a garish converted cinema in Ballsbridge for a roughly staged, well acted production of this haunting and unclassifiable piece by Jack B. Yeats.

Like some other painters of his generation, Yeats was a spare-time playwright, and one of the strengths of *In Sand* is that it is the work of a man who can afford to squander his material, and ignore all the tricks of the trade.

An old Dubliner, peacefully dying, leaves instructions for a young girl to write his epitaph, "Tony we have the good thought for you still" by the sea's edge and wait for the water to wash over it. Scene two shows this ceremony taking place in the presence of the Mayor and a couple of onlookers. Young Alice gets her bag of sweets and some money in the bank, and that seems to be that. Already, Yeats has overlooked some obvious plot points (such as the question of how to choose the girl), and one is left wondering what he can add to an apparently completed story.

The play then jumps ahead by some 10 years to a Mediterranean beach where Alice is holidaying on her inheritence, and still writing Tony's epitaph in the sand. Here, she accepts the proposal of a wealthy middleaged admirer and the curtain falls on another happy ending. Time passes again, and we find the couple basking on a tropical island in the midst of a world cruise, abruptly terminated by a telegram announcing the husband's ruin. That is the last we see of him: and when we next see Alice she is a near destitute old woman selling sea shells by the seashore, and passing into oblivion with only one line to say.

Yeats, in short, *disappoints* conventional narrative expectations: introducing new material without preparation, leap-frogging over dramatic climaxes, and casually writing off main characters in retrospective death announcements.

What he offers instead is an extraordinary poem on time. The writing is as muscular and witty as his sketches of tinkers and horse dealers; but, as in his graphic work, immediate human life is set against the mute continuity of nature. All these people are transients, but they can do something to add to the benevolence of their environment. Tony's epitaph spreads through the play and is finally taken up by the island natives to whom his name means nothing. It survives through being written in sand: just as he survives through a proper acquiescence in mortality.

The play is also a variation on the Irish dream of an enchanted land: characteristically from this artist, a robust variation presented through the characters of a beachcombing old castaway, who has an act all to himself, and the satirized figures of the island's governor and would-be dictator. The trouble with the islanders, the governor complains, is that "they don't realize they are a subject people". From the colonial viewpoint the island is a place to be exploited: from the viewpoint of the inhabitants, it is the earthly paradise.

Beryl Fagan's production takes place before some makeshift sand dunes, and is accompanied by glutinous orchestrations of Debussy, with the "Submerged Cathedral" letting off rising arpeggios like slow air bubbles through oil. But the playing, particularly by Godfrey Quigley and Des Keogh, beautifully captures Yeats's blend of affectionate satire and Wordsworthian serenity.

The Playboy of the Western World
Olympia, Dublin

John Percival

Now in its fifth year of activity, the Irish Ballet has staged its first full-evening work, which opened the Dublin Festival on Monday night with Synge's *Playboy* for its subject, choreography largely based on folk dancing and music by Ireland's most poplar folk group, the Chieftans, the ballet makes a strong appeal to patriotic emotions and was warmly welcomed by an audience including the Taoiseach.

Mr Lynch is a Cork man, which is where Joan Denise Moriarty founded and bases the company, and he confessed a fear of sounding parochial when he paid special tribute to the determination of people like her. He need not have worried; there is nothing parochial about the Irish Ballet, but perhaps on this occasion its national flavour is just a little too determined.

I suppose you must partly blame Synge for that. The prototype stage Irishman was invented by the country's own authors, not imposed as a caricature by foreigners, and they do not come any more Irish, or any more stagy, than in *The Playboy*.

In the play that element is pushed to attention all the time by the elaborate language. The music and the steps do the same in the ballet. The Chieftans, who mingle such traditional instruments as the uillean pipes, bodhran and tiompan with their homely fiddles and tin whistles, are a highly talented group, as much at home in Carnegie Hall or the Sydney Opera House as in the pit of the Olympia, but even with their skill, one jig or reel sounds rather like another when you have two solid hours of them.

Some of their set pieces do underline the drama at times, notably during the yet unseen approach of various characters to the door of Pegeen Mike's shebeen. The "playboy" Christy, his supposedly dead father and the widow Quin all have their entrances built up in that way. The only trouble is that, once on stage, there seems little response to any situation but another jig.

In spite of that limitation, the character of Christy comes strongly through Sean Cunningham's performance. You probably cannot get in dance quite the same ambiguity between his cowering nature and his opportunistic lying as in the original text, but Cunningham's leprechaun face and his expressively shifty eyes go a long way in that direction.

The choreography has him almost entirely timorous at first (to the extent that it is difficult to imagine what Pegeen sees in him) but developing a hesitant cockiness as things go his way, notably at the races, which in the ballet are shown on stage with a Keystone Cops stylised humour instead of being only described as in the play.

At that point Miss Moriarty finds an apt substitution for speech. Elsewhere she is not always so successful. The widow Quin's underlying purpose of trying to win Christy for herself comes over clearly, but too crudely in the absence of any real equivalent for the sense of propriety she feigns in the play. As for her reason for eventually agreeing to help Christy win Peg, you can only follow that either by knowing the play or by reading the programme notes.

Anna Donovan's Pegeen is excellent at some moments, but uneven. She is at her best in the scene at the races, easily establishing her smiling ownership of Christy while building up his confidence against the other men. But in her more serious moments she seems too stern, suggesting the character's natural bossiness but not so much the easy nature that goes with it.

I think it must be laid more to the choreographer's blame than to the performer. Eric Gibson, that Pegeen's suitor and cousin Shawn Keogh does not stand out much from the other men who frequent the shebeen. Some of the other roles are played with a slightly heavy-handed emphasis, and the would-be naturalistic touches do not get properly carried through. If you are going to hold a glass carefully painted to look full of stout, for instance, it really ought not to be brandished at an angle of 45 degrees.

Inevitably, much of the play's metaphorical as well as its literal resonance is lost in a danced version. There is some irony, perhaps, in having chosen for such treatment a work which is largely about the Irish preference for words, not deeds. But this choreographic *Playboy* has its strengths as well as weaknesses and certainly marks an important step in establishing the Irish Ballet with its national audience. Whether it could do the same in an international context remains to be seen.

Susan Hampshire in new Greenwich play

Susan Hampshire, Stephanie Beacham, Jeremy Irons and David Burke are among the cast for the premiere of David Pownall's play *An Audience Called Edouard*, which will open the new season at the Greenwich Theatre, London, on October 19.

The play, which is directed by Alan Strachan, the new artistic director at Greenwich, and designed by Peter Rice, is set in France during the Second Empire, on an island in the Seine where friends at lunch are interrupted by a stranger.

THE TIMES GUEST COOK

Journalist Marion Woolfson writes about dishes from the Middle East

Because of the large number of Middle Eastern visitors to Britain, many restaurants specializing in Middle Eastern food have opened (in London, at any rate) within the past two or three years. A large proportion of these establishments are expensive, with lavish decors and elaborate menus—menus which, in spite of the apparently exotic nature of some of the dishes offered, bear out the fact that the cuisine of the Middle East has its roots in ancient peasant cookery and that the old traditional recipes are still the most popular. Some of the dishes will be familiar to habitués of Greek or Greek Cypriot restaurants which serve *dolmades* (stuffed vine leaves) and *hummus bi tahina* (a purée made from ground chick peas and sesame paste which has always been a great favourite throughout the Middle East), while those who are knowledgeable about Turkish cookery will realize that the Lebanese *shawarma* (marinated lamb cooked on a spit) is merely *doner kebab* under another name.

It is obvious, therefore, that many dishes have become popular beyond the frontiers of the countries in which they originated. Foreign influence over the centuries has caused recipes to be altered, refined and modified, but the classic favourites are those which were described by Arab gourmets who lived hundreds of years ago. Many of the much-loved delicacies of the present day evolved from the religious dietary requirements of the Middle East. Muslims and Jews were forbidden to eat pork and so lamb was substituted. Often it was chopped so that cheaper cuts could be utilized and, when cattle were introduced into the area, beef—also frequently chopped on grounds of economy—was used as well.

Those who could afford to eat meat only occasionally devised an extremely nutritious diet of vegetables, pulses, whole-grain cereals and fruit and, as Muslims never cooked with wine or other alcohol, food was flavoured and enriched with the spices which had in very early times been brought to the region from the Far East and Africa by spice traders. Today, too, spices are considered an important part of the Middle Eastern cuisine—so that, in the large *souks* (markets) of Cairo, Alexandria, Damascus, Aleppo, Baghdad and Marrakesh, for example, there are whole streets and alleys containing nothing but spice-sellers' shops.

There, in premises which are often tiny, there are displayed open sacks of fragrant-smelling spices. The customer may either buy each spice individually or explain the type of dish that is going to be cooked, and the shopkeeper will then blend a suitable assortment. Some people prefer to grind their own spices, while others buy them ready-ground in small quantities because they are apt to lose their aroma after a while. One popular Iraqi combination, which is recommended for lamb an chicken dishes, consists of cloves, cinnamon, ginger and nutmeg.

Many cities in Iraq are built on the Tigris or Euphrates rivers and so a famous Iraqi dish, which also started out as a peasant meal, is *samak masgouf* (roofed fish). It consists of the local river trout, split, sprinkled with spices and cooked, on a spit, over glowing embers. This is one of the favourite dishes of people in Basra, a beautiful city in the south of Iraq which is surrounded by vast date forests and contains ancient houses, flowering trees and riverside restaurants.

Some of the best fish in the world, incidentally, comes from the Arabian Gulf and, in Qatar, fish caught at dawn is on sale in the fish *souk* that same day, and there are spice-sellers on hand to prepare special blends for each fish recipe.

It is, however, in the sphere of fruit and vegetables that the Middle East excels, and it is because of the abundance of these products that many dishes have been devised. I used to love wandering among the vast and colourful displays of grapes, peaches, apricots, cherries, mangoes, melons, oranges, lemons, limes, aubergines, artichokes, courgettes, *bamia* (okra) and tomatoes displayed in the huge fruit and vegetable *souks* in Cairo and Beirut (the latter, alas, destroyed in the recent civil war).

My family and I have the fondest memories of holidays spent in various Middle Eastern mountain villages, such as Sleufe in Syria, where lunch and dinner would consist of dishes made from vegetables picked that morning and of fresh fruit which had, literally, just come off the trees. There would always be a salad, too, prepared in one of the traditional Arab ways, either with diced ingredients or with whole peppers, radishes, tomatoes, spring onions, sprigs of mint and quartered lettuce hearts. For breakfast, we would have cream cheese, locally grown olives, Arab bread and fruit while, in Iraqi Kurdistan recently, in the lovely town of Dohuk, its flat-roofed houses perched, Tibetan-fashion, on the mountain sides, I enjoyed enormously the typical Kurdish breakfast of excellent locally produced honey and yogurt with freshly baked Arab bread.

There is no doubt, of course, that much of the pleasure of eating in the Middle East is provided by the gracious way in which food is served and by the unfailingly generous and unstinting hospitality offered everywhere—a quality which has its roots in Middle Eastern tradition and Islamic practice. It is quite impossible to drop in casually on Arab friends without being urged to stay for a meal.

Cairo is also famous for its ice cream and pastry shops; and Baghdad has an abundance of pastrycooks whose marble shelves are piled high with rich confections containing pistachio nuts, almonds, crystalized fruits rose-water and whipped cream. Baghdad's many ice cream shops still pride themselves on using real ice cream and fresh fruit syrups. Throughout Iraq, too, and elsewhere in the Middle East, there are stalls selling *laban*, which is similar to the Indian *lassi*, consisting of equal quantities of yoghurt and water, beaten together, salted and served with ice. Another delicious and refreshing drink provided by Iraqi stall-holders is lemon tea, which is made with preserved lemons and has a unique and delightful flavour.

What my family and I remember with the deepest nostalgia, however, is the marvellous ice cream parlour in the Hamadiya *souk* which is always the first place we visit when we arrive in Damascus. The exquisite ice cream is prepared in large tubs and is constantly pounded (by hand) with wooden paddles to give it its smooth, even texture. A slight elasticity is provided by adding mastic; the top is lavishly sprinkled with chopped pistachio nuts.

I have acquired numerous cookery books from various Middle Eastern countries (these include one which has a recipe that begins: "Take forty pounds of lamb . . .") but the best book I have found on the subject is *A Book of Middle Eastern Food* by Claudia Roden (Penguin).

The ingredients of the recipes which follow are generally available at Greek Cypriot grocers, with the exception, perhaps, of the tamarind and this may be obtained from Indian, Pakistani or Bangladeshi grocers who should also stock most of the other ingredients. Many large supermarkets now stock the spices mentioned. Delancey Stores, 40 Delancey Street, London NW1, (04-485 2351) keep in stock all the ingredients mentioned in these recipes, and they also post orders to various parts of the country.



Fattoush
(Syrian bread salad)

If Greek pitta or flat Arab bread are not obtainable, use any good-quality white bread. (I do not recommend the wrapped, sliced bread). Use, if possible Cyprus parsley but if it is unavailable, the English type will do.

½ Greek or Arab bread, or three slices white bread toasted, and broken into small pieces, 4 firm tomatoes, cubed; 1 cucumber, cubed; 4 spring onions or 1 small onion, chopped; 2 tablespoons finely-chopped parsley; 2 tablespoons finely chopped mint or 1 tablespoon dried mint; 6 tablespoons olive oil; juice of two lemons; salt and freshly-ground black pepper to taste.

Sprinkle the cucumber with salt and place in a colander for one hour before preparing the salad in order to remove the liquid which would otherwise soak into the bread and spoil the flavour and texture. Rinse well and drain. Mix the lemon juice with the bread and, when it is moist, add the cucumber and other ingredients. Prepare immediately before serving as the salad goes soggy if allowed to stand.

Salata Ful Sudani
(Peanut salad)

The word "ful" is generally used to describe broad beans but "ful Sudani" is the name given to peanuts. I have eaten this dish more than once at the home of Sudanese friends. It is usually served as an hors d'oeuvres or as an accompaniment to a main dish.

4 oz (100g) ground peanuts or peanut butter; the juice of two lemons; 4 firm tomatoes thinly-sliced; 3 medium-sized onions thinly-sliced; salt to taste; ¼ teaspoon chilli powder.

Add the lemon juice to the peanuts and mix well. Stir in the other ingredients. Garnish with black olives.

Samak Basra
(Basra fish)

This recipe may be made with various types of fish. The onion may be omitted if desired.

One whole fish weighing 2 to 3lb (900g to 1kg 400g); 1 oz (25g) seedless tamarind (if unobtainable, use the juice of one lemon instead of the tamarind liquid); 1 teaspoon ground coriander; 3 tablespoons olive oil; salt and freshly-ground black pepper to taste; 1 medium-sized onion, sliced; water.

Soak the tamarind in 4 tablespoons boiling water. When cool, strain and mix the liquid (or the lemon juice) with the olive oil. Sprinkle the fish with the salt, pepper and coriander, pour over the oil and tamarind or lemon mixture and leave in a cool place to marinate for one hour. Place the sliced onion on top of the fish and bake in a moderate oven for 45 minutes, basting from time to time. Serve hot.

Ta'amla
(Falafel)

This dish is eaten at all times of the day in Egypt and elsewhere in the Middle East. It is often served as an hors d'oeuvre, as a snack or as a main dish with salad. I always used to make it with broad beans alone, but recently Mr Harbi Zubeidi, who runs Al Basha, a Lebanese restaurant in Knightsbridge, London, won me over to his method of adding chick peas to the mixture because the result was so delicious. An electric food processor is invaluable for the preparation of this dish.

½lb (225g) dried broad beans (preferably already skinned); ½lb (225g) chick peas; 2 fairly large onions, finely chopped or grated; 3 cloves, crushed garlic; ½ cup finely chopped parsley (Cyprus type if possible); 1 teaspoon ground coriander; 1 teaspoon round cumin; 1 teaspoon baking powder; salt and freshly-ground black pepper to taste; oil for frying.

Cover the beans with cold water and soak for two days. Chick peas do not require such lengthy soaking and so they need only be soaked overnight. Remove the skins of the beans if they are not the skinless type. Drain the beans and chick peas and chop or mince them finely. Mix with the other ingredients and pound to a smooth paste. This will be easier if the mixture is first processed in the electric chopper or minced finely. Allow the paste to stand for an hour and then form into balls, each about the size of a walnut. Flatten slightly and deep-fry in hot oil until they are golden brown. Serve hot.

Masbaht al Darweesh

This is an old Lebanese dish which used to be prepared at home and was then sent to the town oven for baking.

1½lb (675g) lamb, cut into cubes; 8 tablespoons oil; 4 or 5 large potatoes cut into cubes; 1 large, unpeeled aubergine cubed; 1lb (450g) unpeeled courgettes, thickly sliced; medium sized onion, chopped; 6 tomatoes, chopped, or a 6½oz (184g) tin tomatoes; 1 teaspoon ground cumin; 1 teaspoon ground paprika; ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon; salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste; water.

Sprinkle salt over the cubed aubergine and leave in a colander to drain for one hour before cooking (this removes the bitter juices). Heat the oil and fry the onions in it until they are pale gold. Add the lamb and brown it, stirring well. Place the lamb and onion mixture in a casserole, squeeze out the liquid from the aubergine and rinse them, then add them and the remaining vegetables, the spices, pepper and salt to the casserole. Add sufficient water to cover and bake, with a lid on the casserole, in a moderate oven until the meat is tender. Stir occasionally during cooking and, if the meat and vegetables are cooked before the liquid is absorbed, transfer to the top of the stove and simmer uncovered until the liquid has practically disappeared. Serve hot.

Bouza bl Haleeb
(Ice cream)

2 pints milk; ½ lb (225g) sugar; 1 tablespoon cornflour; ½ teaspoon mastic (available in Greek Cypriot shops); 1 tablespoon orange flower water; chopped pistachio nuts for garnishing.

Mix the cornflour to a smooth paste with a little of the milk. Boil the remainder of the milk with the sugar. Add gradually to the paste, stirring constantly. Add the mastic to two teaspoons of sugar and pulverize. Stir into the milk mixture. Simmer gently over a very low heat for 15 minutes, stirring frequently. Add the orange flower water and beat well with a wooden spoon. Freeze in foil-covered ice-trays in the freezing compartment of the refrigerator turned to its coldest setting. The mixture should be well beaten a few times during the freezing process to break up the ice crystals. Remove from the freezer 15 minutes before serving and place in the other part of the refrigerator. (This recipe can also be made using half cream and half milk.)

Khushaf

This uncooked salad, of dried fruit and nuts, is extremely popular in the Middle East and it is also very nutritious. Those who like prunes and figs may add 4oz (100g) prunes and 4 oz (100g) dried figs to the mixture.

1lb (450g) dried apricots; 4oz (100g) raisins; 4oz (100g) dried peaches; 6oz (150g) almond flakes; 4oz (100g) soft brown sugar; 2 tablespoons rose water.

Wash the dried fruit and place in a bowl with the almond flakes. Add the sugar and cover with water. Sprinkle with the rose water. Leave in a cool place for 48 hours. Serve chilled, with whipped cream if desired.

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Schulers, Southend-on-Sea

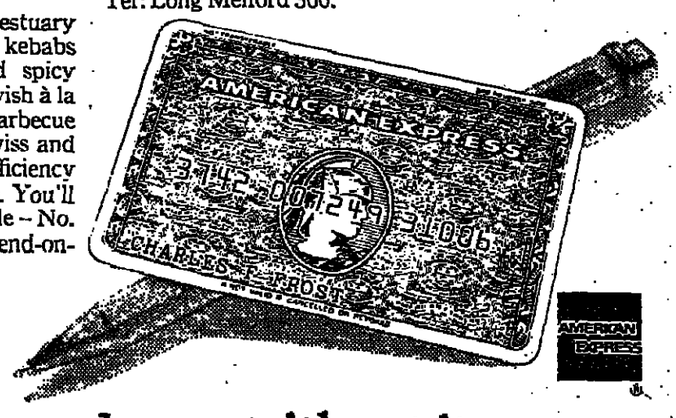
You can watch the boats go by on the estuary while you enjoy homemade mushroom soup, kebabs (there's a barbecue on the premises), and spicy ratatouille. For lunch and dinner, there's a lavish à la carte menu, but on Sundays they serve a set barbecue lunch with coffee included. Mr Schuler is Swiss and has been running his restaurant with Swiss efficiency and flair since 1971. It is known far and wide. You'll find it in the quieter part of Eastern Esplanade – No. 161. Make sure of your table first on Southend-on-Sea (Essex) 610172.

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Callaghan pledge may lead to early action on merger laws

Derek Harris
mercial Editor

Callaghan's emphasis on Price Commission's role in attack on inflation, made is speech to the Labour y conference yesterday, eased speculation that the ernment will bring our pro- ls before the end of the for sharpening competition y in relation to monopolies mergers.

could also mean an leration of proposals, still r study, for amalgamating Monopolies and Mergers mission with the Price mission to provide a more ventionist agency if ers legislation were hened.

ie Prime Minister yesterday ged a future Labour admini- ion to strengthen the Price mission's powers if ssary. Mr Charles Williams, commission's chairman, has dy urged that its powers reagthened by giving it the itive to examine sectors of stry and commerce.

is power at present is ved to Mr Roy Hattersley, tary of State for Prices

Consumer Protection, ugh the commission makes mmendations to him on rs it believes should be tigated.

substantial list of new sec- recently went out from the ission to Mr Hattersley, is expected shortly to nce a series of fresh ex- ations as its commission's load eases. At present it investigate price rises by idual companies only on m initiative.

another controversial sug- on is that prices legislation should be altered to make re difficult for companies to secure interim increases during a commission investigation on grounds of safeguarding profits.

Such a change could be forced to a Commons vote, however, which the Government before the general election is unlikely to want to face, given the controversy over this issue. The Confederation of British Industry particularly has been bitterly opposed to changes in profit safeguards.

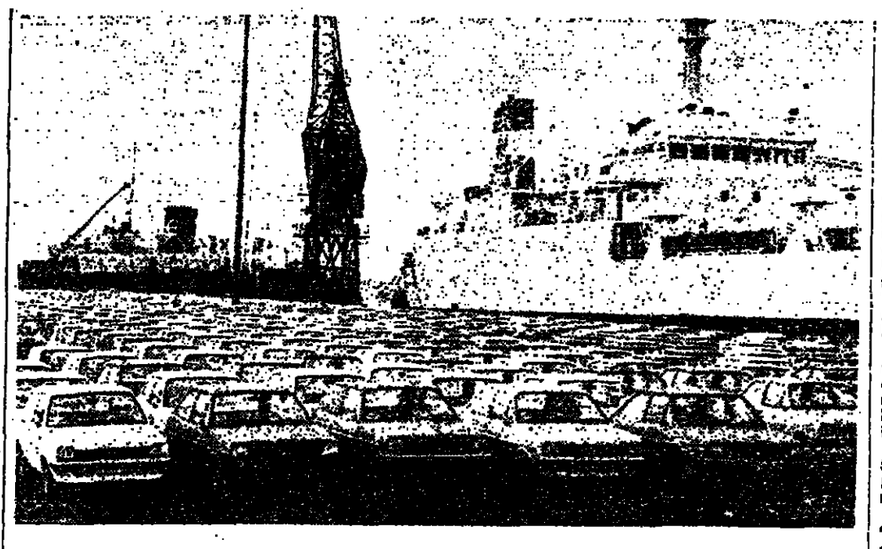
Toughening of legislation on monopolies and mergers was suggested in the green paper on competition policy published earlier this year, based on a study by an interdepartmental working party which is still studying the restrictive practices aspect of competition policy.

The idea ran into considerable opposition subsequently not only from the CBI but from trade union and Department of Industry representatives at the National Economic Development Council.

But Mr Hattersley is believed still to favour a sharpening of competition policy on monopolies and mergers.

The green paper urged a shift from the present policy, which tends to favour mergers, to a more neutral approach. Both the interdepartmental committee and Mr Hattersley had been impressed by evidence that some 50 per cent of mergers studied had been unprofitable for the companies involved, as well as in many cases bringing no economic benefit.

Mr Hattersley has since been considering what criteria should be set out for companies contemplating a merger. Companies could have at least to prove that a merger would have no adverse effects.



Workers stop Ford exports at Harwich

Ford cars jam the quayside at Harwich, Essex, after the decision by local seamen and transport workers to block the company's goods in support of the strikers who have rejected pay offer within the Government's 5 per cent pay guidelines.

Workers at Tolemans delivery service in nearby Dovercourt, which has the exclusive contract for handling Ford cars coming through the port, decided not to touch the company's goods after a meeting with the strikers at their depot last Thursday.

Tolemans usually handles 400 cars a day through the British Rail terminal at the port's Parkeston Quay.

Seamen's union members have also blacked all Ford goods after another meeting with the strikers. A spokesman for the union said: "We see the struggle at Ford as our struggle, and action will be continued indefinitely."

A Ford spokesman said the blacking was "expected". Mr Bill Henderson, the Shipping and Port Manager at Parkeston Quay, said they had been forced to cut container sailings from 10 to six a week without any Ford goods to handle.

The other unions at the terminal, the National Union of Railwaymen and the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, are still taking no action over the strike.

"As far as we are concerned anything that comes into the port will be handled by the dock workers", said a spokesman for the NUR members. The possibility of extending the action was to be discussed at a meeting of Harwich Trades Council last night.

Sime Darby dismissal of auditors likely to develop into major row

By Michael Prest

A major row at Sime Darby, with far-reaching implications for relations between the board, its shareholders and its auditors, is possible after a decision by the Far East trading group to dismiss its present auditors, Turquand, Youngs & Co, and replace them with Price, Waterhouse.

Sime alleges that Turquand is not big enough to handle its expanding business, an argument which Turquand does not believe is the real reason for its being dismissed.

Turquand will contest the Sime board's move at the company's annual meeting next month.

In a statement Sime said: "The Sime Darby group has altered and grown considerably in the past seven years. It is now a substantial international group with a large number of subsidiary and associated companies operating in many different countries.

"The Sime Darby board feels that Price, Waterhouse, as one of the largest international firms of accountants, with extensive world-wide representation, will be better placed to meet the demands of the Sime Darby group and therefore, the interests of the shareholders of Sime Darby and the companies within the Sime Darby group."

But Mr Dennis Garrett, the senior partner of Turquand, Barton, Mayhew and Co, parent to the Far East firms, commented: "We are very worried about these reasons. We feel they are palpably invalid. It is up to the board to state the real reasons. We are the largest firm of accountants in that part of the world and we were probably the first."

An official statement put out by Turquand said: "The Sime Darby board justification for the proposal is therefore hard to sustain, unless of course the Sime Darby board are contemplating very material investment in some other part of the world where they believe that Turquand Poungs are less well represented.

"Turquand Youngs therefore feel that the reason for their dismissal must be considered invalid and that other reasons must exist."

Asked what they might be, he replied: "I wish I knew." Turquand denies any dispute with Sime, and indeed points out that the company has asked it to stay on after losing the audit to assist with Sime's Malaysianization. "I don't think that's the action of a board which has lost confidence in our ability", Mr Garrett said.

Turquand has about 1,000 employees in Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Hongkong. It audits 28 of the top 100 companies in Kuala Lumpur and Singapore, of which 19 are in the first 50. Although Turquand does not reveal its audit fees, receipts from handling the Sime account are thought to be around £300,000 a year.

What concerns the accountants is their reputation in the region. It is pointed out that they exposed the activities of Mr Denis Pinder, a chief executive of Sime Darby, in 1975. He was jailed in Singapore for misappropriating shareholders' funds.

Turquand will use its rights under the 1976 Companies Act to send a circular to shareholders with the accounts. At the annual general meeting in Kuala Lumpur on November 17 shareholders will be asked to vote on the board's resolution for changing the auditors and on a second resolution supporting Turquand's retention.

Sime is registered in London where it is quoted, and domiciled in Malaysia where most of its shares are held. These two resolutions will have to be put to all Sime's subsidiaries, which raises the possibility of some of them not agreeing with the main meeting, although that will be held first.

The Malaysian Government controls 18.5 per cent of Sime, but it is not known whether Pernas, the government agency which holds the shares, will intervene.

In July Sime raised 475m Malaysian dollars (about £100m), of which $75m was to redeem loan stock. It is possible that the rest could be used to finance expansion in countries such as the United States, in which Turquand is less well represented than Price Waterhouse.

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Kuwait says it wants 10 pc more for oil

Kuwait, Oct 3.—Shaikh Ali Khalifa al-Sabah, Kuwait's Minister for Oil, said today that he favoured an oil-price increase of at least 10 per cent next year.

This, he said, should be tied to a formula permitting automatic additional increases to offset any future drop in the value of the United States dollar.

"Some kind of protection still would have to be required, even with a price increase," Shaikh Khalifa said in an interview with the Associated Press.

He declined to predict whether an increase of 10 per cent or more would be accepted by all 12 others members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec). Two members, Saudi Arabia and Iran, succeeded in pushing through a freeze this year.

Opec oil ministers are to meet at Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, in December to decide on lifting the freeze. Shaikh Khalifa is the president.

"I should hope we can look forward to higher prices in nominal, if not in real, terms," he said, arguing that the price of oil had declined 30 per cent in real terms since 1976, while the posted price for a barrel of oil is $12.70 (about £6.45). In 1974 terms, he contends, the real value is less than $7.

Mr Carter considering wage and price curbs in anti-inflation plan

From Frank Vogl
Washington, Oct 3

President Carter called a Cabinet meeting today to discuss a series of new anti-inflation policy proposals. He has not yet made up his mind on the precise details of a programme which will be announced shortly.

The White House economic policy group has prepared a series of options, which are believed to have been discussed at length by the Cabinet. The most important new idea concerns some form of wage and price guidelines supported by possible government sanctions.

Mr William Miller, chairman of the Federal Reserve System, said in New York that he believed policies already operating would produce a 1-2 percentage point cut in America's inflation rate next year, from the current 7-8 per cent.

Few private bankers are as confident as Mr Miller appears to be, and some Administration officials believe that tough wage and price measures, accompanied by substantial cuts in the budget deficit, are essential if inflation is to be brought below 8 per cent in 1979.

A number of top Administration officials are believed to favour a 7 per cent ceiling on wage increases, but they admit that it might be difficult to win trade union support for this.

Mr George Meany, president of the AFL-CIO trade union organization, said in St Louis today that the White House would announce its plans in a few days, and "wages are to be put under control". He called for action by the Administration to cut interest rates, particularly mortgage rates.

President Carter sympathizes with this idea, and one of the reasons behind his attack in recent days on the Fed's moves to raise interest rates has been to curry favour with the trade unions.

Views are believed to differ sharply between Cabinet members over the sort of measures to be taken to hold down prices for manufactured goods.

A guideline suggesting rises of no more than 5.5 per cent has been discussed, but the key disagreements centre on how this should be enforced. The President opposes mandatory controls on either wages or prices.

Sanctions in the form of debarring manufacturers from seeking government contracts if they raise prices above the set guideline level is now being discussed, but officials state that there could be serious administrative problems involved in enforcing this.

Mr Miller is urging the Administration to postpone the planned rise in the minimum hourly wage to $2.90 from $2.60, which comes into force in January.

However, some officials argue that if the President does this, there will be no chance of securing voluntary trade union support for wage increase guidelines.

Mr Miller said that the planned increase in social security taxes on January 1 would probably add 0.5 per cent to inflation next year. He wants these tax increases postponed, but White House officials appear to oppose this proposal.

While the White House completes its programme, the Fed continues to face considerable problems on the monetary front.

Despite White House pressure to refrain from letting interest rates go higher, the Fed now faces not only a sharper rate of money supply growth than it had expected, but also the prospect of a further sharp rise in the near future.

Seasonal factors are likely to encourage sharp money supply growth, and dealers in the money markets say that failure by the Fed to continue tightening credit will probably fuel speculation against the dollar in the foreign exchange market.

Mr Miller said that the decline in the dollar's value over the last year had added about 1 per cent so far to consumer prices.

In contrast to Mr Miller's inflation prediction Mr Michael Evans, the head of Chase Econometrics Associates, forecast a 7.5 per cent rise in prices in 1979.

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Britain's reserves up by $106m to $16,511m last month

By Caroline Atkinson

Britain's official reserves rose by $106m (£54m) last month to $16,511m. The underlying rise was less than this at only $63m, as there was a net increase in official borrowing from overseas.

Underlying changes in the official reserves are usually a guide to the extent of intervention in foreign exchange markets by the Bank of England to influence the value of the pound.

Yesterday's figures suggest that the level of intervention was small, at least in net terms.

During September the dollar came under considerable pressure and sterling rose from $1.9495 at the beginning of the month to $1.9765 at the end.

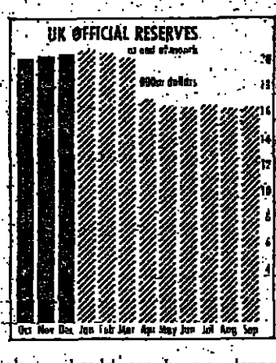
It also appreciated in terms of a basket of currencies during the month, rising from 62.5 per cent to 62.7 per cent of its end-1971 value.

The Bank of England was detected in the market on several days buying dollars to hold down the value of the pound.

Some dealers thought there were substantial purchases of dollars by the Bank, but it now seems likely that the market overestimated the degree of intervention.

The net addition to the reserves from market intervention by the Bank was also reduced by the need to support sterling on some days.

The Bank is aiming to smooth market movements rather than to change sterling's exchange rate substantially, so there should not be any large changes in the reserves because of intervention.



The Electricity Council received the first part of a foreign currency loan arranged with Japanese banks. This boosted the reserves by $150m in September. The remaining $350m of the loan is expected to show up in this month's reserves figures.

There were net repayments of official overseas debt of $107m last month. These were all scheduled repayments and not part of the programme of early debt repayment.

Despite last month's rise in the reserves they are still at a lower level than for any month this year except August.

They are expected to fall further by the end of this year as the Government has announced some debt repayments—for example, $1,000m to the International Monetary Fund—which have not yet been made.

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Civil servants seek legal advice on pay intervention

ur Industrial Editor

al advice is being taken he Institution of Professional Civil Servants on ter ministers are exceeding their powers in intervenith pay offers and settle-

institution is apparently ed with government against British Nuclear a state-owned concern, an arbitration award for working at its Windscale alder works granted a 5p ur allowance.

claims that the award has stopped after ministerial vention on the grounds it conflicts with incomes and could only be paid the confines of the 10 ent restriction.

o date strenuous representations have been made to Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, and Mr Albert Booth, Secretary of State for Employment", the institution says. Legal opinion is being taken on whether it can take action to prevent the Government's interference.

"If we are so advised, we shall certainly take steps to see that the award is paid out in full", it says.

There has already been concern expressed about the Government backing up its pay policy, which is voluntary, using an unclear statutory basis for its actions.

But this has previously been confined to companies, worried about the application of sanctions and the use of a "blacklist" arrangement for withholding public contracts and government assistance.

Community car makers 'must integrate survive in face of foreign competition'

David Felton
, Oct 3

ropean motor manufacs will have to enter into ration agreements—and in cases merge—in order to ve, Mr Bruno Beccaria, ging director of Iveco, one rope's leading commercial le manufacturers, said here

Beccaria said his group ctively involved in talks on eration with all European mercial vehicle companies, declined to name the indil companies involved. is thought, however, that ind Vehicles, the truck and division of BL, is having with Iveco.

eco was formed in 1975 a merger of the commervehicle interests of three companies—Fiat, Magirus of West Germany and of France. Last year the 's turnover was nearly $3,000m. Its share of the United Kingdom market was 2.6 per cent, but Mr Beccaria has set a target of 10 per cent by the end of next year.

Announcing the group's plans to invest $1,000m over the next seven years, Mr Beccaria said there would be a future for the European motor vehicle industry only if Europeans—not only businessmen but also politicians, trade unionists and the general public—would . . . "acknowledge structural factors which are the cause of weakness, and take the path of rationalization and integration which, after all, is the path of reason."

The need for integration and cooperation over a wide field, including manufacturing subassembly and components, would not necessarily lead to cutbacks in labour forces and was vital in the face of the strong American and Japanese competition.

But integration could lead to major problems for which he blamed the "functionaries" of the European Community. They were "over-zealous" when trying to administer anti-trust regulations in situations which were not against the interests of the consumer.

Last year Iveco produced 108,000 commercial vehicles, but had been particularly hit this year by a decline in the Italian market

Mergers on way: More mergers could be in the pipeline in the British motor industry, Sir Barrie Heath, president of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, said here tonight.

"More than ever success depends on our development as Europeans", he said on the eve of the Paris Motor Show.

"Further steps forward have been made this year and are in progress now towards integration and cooperation."

In brief

Eurofer rejects US steel dumping charge

European steelmakers have rejected American allegations that they are dumping steel in the United States market and building up their market share by unfair means.

M Ferry, chairman of the European Steelmakers Federation (Eurofer), said at a press conference during the annual conference of the International Iron and Steel Institute in Colorado Springs that in the last few months shipments by both Europe and Japan to the American market had reached a reasonable balance.

The main impact on the market had been imports from third countries, particularly Canada, which had risen very sharply.

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Hongkong rail contract

Two Japanese firms, Nishimaku Construction and Kumagaigumi, have won separate contracts worth 51,000m yen (about £141m) for second-phase construction of Hongkong's mass transit railway project, it was announced in Tokyo yesterday. The 15.5 kilometre (9.7 mile) underground railway will carry 1.8 million passengers a day, compared to 1.5 million in London. The railway is expected to be operating by September next year.

Bank of Ireland clamp

The Bank of Ireland yesterday issued a guideline, backed by penalties, to commercial banks and lending institutions to keep the growth of all private sector consumer credit to within 10 per cent in the six months ending next March.

Beecham out of Eire

An £18m pharmaceuticals factory which the Beecham Group planned to build in the Republic of Ireland has been cancelled because of delays caused by local residents' objections.

Swiss approach to join Europe monetary system

From Alan McGregor
Geneva, Oct 3

Switzerland will have talks with the European Economic Community on the possibility of participation in the proposed European monetary system, Mr Fritz Honegger, the Minister of Economy, said today.

Addressing the 200-member National Council (Lower House) he announced that to reinforce the latest National Bank measures for easing the excessively high parity of the Swiss franc, companies will be allowed extended amortization periods.

In addition the government had prepared further measures to combat unemployment and meet changed circumstances as necessary. The National Bank would continue its major interventions in the foreign exchange market to keep the franc in line.

Mr Honegger pointed out that a Swiss initiative for association with the European currencies float had been stymied in early 1975 by France, as Paris still seemed to have reservations about any Swiss franc link with the proposed new system, the first step in the process of consultations with the Community would, therefore, be high-level contacts with the French.

In Zurich today Mr Guido Hanselmann, director-general of the Union Bank of Switzerland, said the National Bank measures could only gain time.

If the franc were to be kept at an acceptable level, Switzerland must reduce its balance-of-payments surplus. This was about 5.5 per cent of GNP, compared with 2 per cent in Japan and 0.6 per cent in West Germany.

Measures must be taken also to ensure that the 60,000m Swiss francs now held by foreign borrowers could not suddenly come flooding back. He regarded this as a main reason for the franc's appreciation—"a potential time bomb".

Dollar slides to new lows while gold reaches $222

By Our Economic Staff

The dollar tumbled again on the foreign exchange markets falling to new record lows against the German, Dutch and Belgian currencies yesterday.

The gold price soared to a new peak in reaction, rising $4.5 on the day to close at $222½ an ounce.

This is the first time the gold price has topped $220 an ounce. The last high was $219¾ an ounce reached on September 25. The Canadian dollar also fell to a record low against the United States dollar of 84.04 cents.

Despite the new Swiss measures to hold down the Swiss franc on the exchanges the franc also rose substantially against the dollar. It climbed from 1.59½ to the dollar at Monday's close to 1.573.

Most actively centred on the Deutsche mark, and the main result of the Swiss action has been to step up purchases of Deutsche mark.

This rose by over 2 pfennig against the dollar yesterday to close at DM1.9115. Its relationship to the Swiss franc was little changed on the day.

Sterling was undermined by the fear of British strikes over pay in the wake of the Labour Party Conference vote against the Government's 5 per cent limit.

Although it rose by 20 points against the weaker dollar—to close at $1.9735—the pound lost ground against the European currencies.

In effective terms, measured against a basket of currencies, sterling dropped by 0.2 points to 62.5 per cent of its end-1971 value; its lowest rate since the middle of last month.

Canada spent an estimated US $1,100m in September to prop up its own currency. At one point yesterday it touched US 83.61 cents, but it later recovered slightly.

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Interim Report 1978

Unaudited results for the half year ended 30th June 1978 and comparative figures for 1977 are

	Six months to 30th June		Year
	1978	1977	1977
	£000	£000	£000
Sales	104,144	109,133	203,883
Trading profit	5,252	7,206	10,248
Share of associates' profit	1,997	1,786	3,531
Net interest and dividends	548	976	1,526
Group profit before taxation	6,701	8,016	12,253
Taxation	3,503	3,891	5,770
Group profit after taxation	3,198	4,125	6,483
Minority interests	489	607	887
Earnings for shareholders	2,709	3,518	5,596
Extraordinary items			
Currency gains/losses	742	279	1,333
Other	297	459	100
Earnings after extraordinary items	3,154	3,698	4,363
Earnings per share			
Before extraordinary items	10.3p	13.4p	21.4p
After extraordinary items	12.0p	14.1p	16.7p
Dividends per share	Interim	Interim	Final
Net to shareholders	3.191p	2.860p	2.045p
Gross equivalent	4.763p	4.333p	3.052p

Sales and profits for the first half of 1978 were lower compared with the corresponding period in 1977. The main areas contributing to this decline were Bunzl & Biach A.G., paper trading in the UK and overseas, and UK filter manufacturing.

After allowing for improved contributions from associated companies and reduced net interest paid, the Group pre-tax profit was lower at £6.7 million.

However these results reflect a significant recovery from the very depressed conditions prevailing during the second half of 1977.

The Directors have decided to pay an interim dividend for 1978 of 3.162p a share together with the promised extra 0.029p a share out of 1977 arising from the reduction of the basic rate of tax to 33%. This total interim dividend of 3.191p a share will be paid on 29th November 1978 to shareholders registered at the close of business on 27th October 1978.

Last year we made a forecast at this stage which proved to be too optimistic because of unexpected currency movements and a sudden downturn in some important parts of our activities. In the absence of similar unpredictable factors we would expect group profit before taxation for the whole of 1978 to be in line with that for the previous year.

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The Times index: 222.15 +2.71
The FT index: 505.2 +6.0

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	12p to 902p	Morris & Blakey	5p to 88p
J.	12p to 452p	Nthgate Explor	35p to 390p
	10p to 455p	Saint Piran	9p to 67p
ldgs	9p to 117p	Shell Trans	10p to 570p
ll Elect	13p to 403p	Sotheby P. B.	12p to 300p
	26p to 460p	Union Corp	14p to 314p
	18p to 574p	Welkom	14p to 324p
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Gold gained $4.50 an ounce to $222.125.
SDR-$ was 1.28265 on Tuesday, while SDR-£ was 0.651753.
Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1509.9 (previous 1500.9).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.77	1.71
Austria	29.00	27.00
Belgium Fr	65.50	62.00
Canada $	2.40	2.33
Denmark Kr	10.92	10.42
Finland Mkk	8.25	7.90
France Fr	8.82	8.42
Germany Dm	3.97	3.75
Greece Dr	73.50	69.50
Hongkong $	9.55	9.10
Italy Lr	1670.00	1585.00
Japan Yn	395.00	370.00
Netherlands Gld	4.30	4.07
Norway Kr	10.43	9.98
Portugal Esc	98.00	88.00
S Africa Rd	2.30	2.10
Spain Pes	148.75	141.75
Sweden Kr	8.99	8.59
Switzerland Fr	3.30	3.08
US $	2.02	1.96
Yugoslav Dnr	41.75	39.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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Japan's TV exports seen as threat to European electronics industry

By Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

Disruption of colour television tube manufacturing throughout the EEC, leading to a "critical endangering" of the European electronics industry, is threatened by Japan's television components makers.

This warning came yesterday from the European Electronic Component Manufacturers' Association which claimed that EEC imports of colour tubes—representing a third of the value of a television set—had already increased to a critical level.

Out of every 100 colour sets sold 47 contained tubes made outside the Community, with 33 coming from Japan, the association stated. Japanese tube imports had grown annually by 20 per cent for the past three years. If that rate of growth continued "disruption of the EEC tube industry must follow", it argued. Already some factories had been closed and several thousand workers made redundant.

The association is worried because the tube makers are so important to the EEC electronics industry. It believes that the continued existence of that industry as a whole could be in danger if the Japanese were allowed to pursue the same policy as they have in other export fields.

Imports from Japan could grow because of increasing domestic over capacity, due partly to import limitations in the United States market.

During the first few years of the 1980s a number of international licensing agreements expire which will open the EEC market to the larger colour sets made in Japan, the association pointed out.

In consumer electronics the Community was an obvious target for Japanese manufacturers because of its relatively low saturation compared with the other two major markets—Japan itself and the United States.

With Japan's tube production capacity expanded considerably in recent years—this had increased by about 50 per cent in 1976—nearly 60 per cent of colour tubes produced in Japan last year were exported, either in sets or as separate components, the association pointed out.

Britain's only colour tube maker, Mullard, which is a subsidiary of Philips, is investing £24m in production improvements, with £4.5m as a government aid contribution. But a number of television set assembly factories have been closed in recent years with extensive redundancies.

United Kingdom television manufacturers have an informal agreement with the Japanese industry on import restraint, but a National Economic Development Council working party earlier this year estimated that Britain's television and audio industry was operating at only 50 per cent of capacity.

IBM launches two processing systems

By Kenneth Owen
Technology Correspondent

A significant attempt to strengthen International Business Machines' hold on the computing and word-processing markets was announced by the company in the United States and Europe yesterday.

Two new systems were revealed, one providing a new type of "distributed data processing" and the other a comprehensive form of text processing.

Most existing systems of both types are based either on connexions to a central computer or on self-contained units. IBM's two new systems can be used in both ways, running either as "stand-alone" or self-contained units or under central control.

The 8100 distributed processing system is designed to provide flexibility in a variety of transaction based uses.

Primarily intended to form part of computing networks in which the processing is shared or distributed between the constituent units, it can also operate on its own (with the ability to perform batch processing) or as a remote job-entry station connected to a central IBM 370 mainframe computer.

Terminals which can be attached to 8100 systems include typewriters, telephones and a new IBM video display unit.

The system is to be produced at Havant, Hampshire (and terminals at Greenock, Strathclyde). Typical prices range from £41,215 to £142,600, with deliveries expected towards the end of next year.

The second new product, developed at IBM's laboratories at Hursley, near Winchester, is the 3730 text-processing system, which offers a full range of facilities for preparing, editing, printing, storing and transmitting the text of office documents.

The price for a typical system with 12 display stations and five printers would be £86,848.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

New approach to accounting

From Mr Jack Clayton

Sir, What a pity that Bryan Appleyard's otherwise admirable review (September 28) of the new "pragmatic and experimental" approach to "accounting standards" of the Accounting Standards Committee was impaired by his gratuitous sneer as to the "backwoodsmen of accountancy" who caused such a refreshing change of heart.

This "backwoodsman" has been involved in the dialogue for more than 30 years: as chairman (1948) of the English Institute's research committee; as defender (1952) of Recommendation XV at the London Congress; and by numerous subsequent articles, etc, in the professional and financial press—including "*Has Sandilands* been sabotaged?"—*The Times*, January 17, 1977.

I was even involved in the gestation stage of the ASC to which Mr Appleyard referred: the AEI/GEC dispute (as I then wrote) reflected a lack of understanding of the nature of "profit" and "budget".

"Profit is always a convention (*vide* Mark): a budget is no more than 'an expression of intention' and the different *intentions of Sir Joseph* (Latham) and Mr (now Sir Arnold Weinstock), respectively, as to the future of AEI, is a full and complete explanation of their different concepts of AEI's 1967 profit".—*Investors Chronicle*, September 26, 1969.

Accounting is a simple science, but a complicated art; complexities arising from its ability to express diverse data in a *common denominator*—money. My whole half-century experience as a chartered accountant has convinced me that, while the art of accounting is nourished by "recommendations", it is stultified by "mandatory standards".

"Nothing is, everything is becoming", wrote Hegel: to seek to encompass the volatile art of accounting in a standard is as rewarding as the nocturnal habits of Moonrakers!

The standards *idée fixé* reflects the elephantine growth of the international firms: before the *partners* may, safely, "sign on the dotted line" they need "standard" procedures to ensure that all the i's have been dotted and the t's crossed. Such need leads, naturally, to concepts of "national" followed by "international" standards; and the sharp decline of professional initiative and independence.

The results of some standards would be funny were they not tragic. For example, the ludicrous CPP *standard*—rushed out to seek to preempt Sandilands—decreed that inflation accounts should be based on the assumption that tangible assets had increased in value pro rata to the RPL Imperial *Metal Industries caused derision* in the City by producing CPP accounts on that basis—the directors report disclosing that their basic stock, copper, had declined in value by 40 per cent!

I inquired from the then president whether I could, usefully, report the auditors to the investigation committee for improper conduct; but he informed me that conformity with the "standard" was professionally correct!

The three-year sabotage of Sandilands reflects the prime *aim of inflation accounting*—as defined by me at the 1952 congress—to procure tax concessions for the beneficiaries of inflation, at the expense of its victims. That is why the lunacy of my profession refuse so cross the *pons asinorum* inflation accounting: acceptanc of the diarchy of profit induce by inflation—operating profi reduced; but total gains incre sed, by expropriation of t creditor.

The libertarian Hyde guid lines—manipulation where caused the furore over nation ised *industries'* accounts, refe red to by Mr Appleyard in h other article in your Septe ber 28 issue—deal only wi the consumption of tangib assets, ignoring their enhanc ment by inflation. Such lo sided single-entry accounti is a grave distortion of t impact of inflation. Sandilan corrects this by its total gai statement, depicting the "m sured increase in net assets

Such a statement is essenti to reflect the expropriation the creditor in relation to del financed tangible assets. F example, in a recent artic (*The Accountant*, Septemb 21) I analysed the combin profits of public corpor tions over the past deca (from the National Income Bl Book). Expressed in perce ages, their total gains co prised: income (before inter and tax) 45; less capital co sumed 33, stock appreciation plus holding gains 91.

My guess is that the "co sistent interim method", wh Mr Appleyard stated that h Watts had promised to h Robert Sheldon, is unlikely reveal such dominance of ho ing gains in the profit structu of debt-financed enterprises.

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September 28.

Tokyo trade policy 'suicidal'

Japan is fast reaching a point of commercial suicide in Europe, with Britain moving nearer to having to impose a quantity restriction on its imports. Once started, the process would be difficult to reverse.

This warning was given yesterday in London to a visiting delegation from the Japan Committee for Economic Development by *Mr Michael Montague*, an industrialist who is a former chairman of the Asia Committee of the British National Export Council and a member of the Government's strategy team, the 1972 Industry Group.

It was a disgrace that although Japan got progressively richer it remained among the lowest of contributors to world aid, he said. Japan also refused to import more from the countries which took so many of its goods, and formal protests from the British Government had, for instance, produced "an ambivalent response which is extremely unwise.

"Unless Japan combines a political consideration with her commercial enthusiasm she will become increasingly isolated, particularly as the EEC institution develops and the countries of Europe will be able to act on a corporate basis."

Tokyo: Mrs Juanita Kreps, the American Commerce Secretary, said here yesterday that Japan's growing trade surplus could trigger protectionist legislation in the United States and lead to a breakdown in bilateral trading relations.

Plans for Hino plant in UK abandoned

By Clifford Webb

The Transport and General Workers' Union and some truck manufacturers were claiming a partial victory last night in their campaign to stop Japanese Hino trucks being sold in this country.

They said that J. Harris (Assemblers), the Dublin-based company which already assembles Hinos from "kits" for sale in the Republic of Ireland, has been forced to drop plans to open a second assembly plant on the British mainland.

The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders has a voluntary agreement with its opposite number, the Japanese Automobile Manufacturers' Association, which bans the importation of trucks over 3.5 tons gross vehicle weight.

But when it was reported that Harris planned to get around this by assembling Hinos in this country with a substantial British content, TGWU branches up and down the country called upon members to refuse to drive or unload them.

Workers at Leyland Vehicles, the commercial vehicle subsidiary of British Leyland, issued a similar "blacking" threat.

But there have been doubts all along that Harris had firm plans to open a plant on the mainland—Merseyside had been mentioned. Extensive inquiries over many months by British truck manufacturers, the motor trade, and the press, failed to find any trace of negotiations to acquire or rent a site.

Now there is growing evidence that Harris is trying to set up an assembly plant in Northern Ireland. It has approached Ward and Surgenor, the Castledawson truck dealer, which already sells Hinos in Northern Ireland, with a suggestion that it should expand its existing trailer manufacturing facilities to handle truck assembly work as well.

Ward and Surgenor acquired the Hino franchise in January, 1977 and since then is believed to have sold about 150 trucks. Some of these have already found their way to mainland Britain, usually with a Northern Ireland "accommodation" address.

In fact there is nothing to stop them being sold openly here. They are assembled in Eire, a member of the EEC, and as such have free access to the British market.

Mr Tom Stewart, a partner in Ward and Sugenor, said yesterday: "I can confirm that we have had talks with Harris about assembling here. I do not know what all the fuss is about Hinos.

"I believe Harris was planning to spend about £15m to set up in Liverpool and provide jobs for local people. That is more than European truck manufacturers are doing and nobody makes a fuss about their sales in Britain."

Tory call for investigation of Kirkby aid

By Our Industrial Editor

Conservative Party moves to obtain a Public Accounts Committee investigation of the Government's efforts to find a way of aiding the financially pressed Kirkby workers cooperative, KME, were disclosed yesterday.

Mr Edward du Cann, MP for Taunton and chairman of the Commons watchdog committee, yesterday received a letter from Mr Michael Grylls, MP for Surrey NW and vice-chairman of the Tory industry committee, calling for an urgent re-examination of KME.

The group makes radiators and was set up in 1974.

The committee has already criticized earlier decisions to help the cooperative, including a £860,000 grant in addition to £3.9m of other aid. The Government's independent Industrial Development Advisory Board was opposed to the original scheme of support, but the Department of Industry's ministers backed the cooperative against the board's advice.

Mr Grylls says in his letter to Mr du Cann that it appeared scandalous and horrifying that the Government was now proposing to grant further sums of taxpayers' money "to this seemingly bottomless pit".

It was announced at the weekend that the Department of Industry had set up a three-man working party to examine the problems of helping KME.



Mr Grylls: proposal for further grants "scandalous".

Hepworths at Debenhams

Hepworths, the Leeds-based menswear group, plans to open shops in 30 Debenhams department stores.

A pilot scheme, "Hardy Amies at Hepworths", was launched in Debenhams' Bristol store just over a year ago, and five others have been started since. Further openings will be at the rate of one a month until the end of 1980.

Mr Jeffrey Rowlay, Hepworths' managing director, said last night that so far the in-store outlets had not affected sales at normal Hepworths stores nearby.

Hepworths, still looking for additional normal retail outlets, is also seeking diversifications beyond menswear, which has proved so vulnerable in recession periods.

Problems posed by insider trading

From Mr J. A. Miller

Sir, *Your financial editor* (October 2) misses the problem in defining insider trading. Nathan Rothschild's classic bear squeeze in 1815 on the news of Waterloo would not have been insider trading because the information was procured by his investment analysts in Belgium. Had, however, Lady Caroline Lamb dealt, she would have been under suspicion as the friend of an insider.

There are two offences, abuse of the market and abuse of confidence. To define the criminal offence in terms of both is asking for trouble. How closely would Nathan Rothschild have to have been connected with the Duke of Wellington to make him an insider?

If it is accepted that there is such a separable offence as abuse of the market (and it is implicit in the Takeover Code and the actions of the Quotations Department of the Stock Exchange), it must also be accepted that it is a question of degree. The market only functions properly because possessors of new information can profit from it; otherwise there would be nothing to make prices alter in the light of new information. At the same time there is a degree of profit, and counterpart loss, on the back of this activity which is regarded as unacceptable. The only practicable way of establishing the borderline would be through the judgment of the courts and that would not be forthcoming in criminal cases, because it is extremely unlikely that borderline prosecutions would be brought.

The net result of the proposed insider trading legislation would thus be a reduction in the effective regulation of the Stock Market and judgments which would bring the law into disrepute.

Yours faithfully,
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October 2.

Tax on art deals

From Mr Hugh Leggatt

Sir, *The art market is complicated* enough without Customs and Excise making one set of VAT regulations for art auctioneers and another for art dealers (*The Times* report, September 27). Auctioneers are exempted from VAT on their charge to buyers whereas art dealers are not. It seems that for Customs purposes sauce for the goose is subject to VAT but sauce for the gander is not.

Yours faithfully,
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September 27.

Trading with Canada

From Mr R. G. Purcell

Sir, One British product which could not be fitted into the miserable 20ft x 10ft British stand at the recent Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto is the twin cabin lift our company designed and installed there in 1966. Every year for the two-week period of the exhibition this passenger ropeway transports an average 400,000 people on a scenic ride high above the showground.

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Canada is certainly a tough, competitive market, but there is no mistaking the general wish to trade with Britain. It seems madness to neglect a country with which we have such strong natural links.

Yours faithfully,
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From Mr L. V. Josephi

Sir, Can it really be that copperware and aluminium pictures shown by the United Kingdom at the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto were all that could be mustered for this quadrennial event?

Mr Alan Cookson suggested (September 28) that the British Government's permanent staff in Canada failed to convey the importance of this shop window to our manufacturers. The fact is, however, that a prestige display mounted in a "hall of nations" is not the BOTB's idea of hard selling for British exports—a short-term outlook which appears to ignore the occasional need to show the world this country's outstanding technological achievement.

As for selling to Canada, HM Government policy is even more mystifying. Early this year the British Canadian Trade Association, failing to obtain renewal of a small annual grant from the BOTB towards its operating costs, was obliged to close its offices in Canada. As a result many of our smaller exporters are deterred from entering this valuable market where formerly the help of large Canada-based members of the BCTA gave them every encouragement.

Yours faithfully,
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Speedy service from Buzby

From Mr John Fletcher

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Yours sincerely,
JOHN FLETCHER
9 Shirley Road,
Walsgrave,
Coventry.

Call to limit licensing of hauliers

By Michael Baily

A strong plea to the Government to restrict entry into the road haulage industry in depressed times was made by Mr Peter Thompson, chief executive of the National Freight Corporation yesterday.

Established hauliers had been going to the wall while new entrants were still coming in and making matters worse, he told the *Financial Times*/Chartered Institute of Transport conference on international transport in London.

Road haulage in Britain was still too fragmented, Mr Thompson said. It was like a cottage industry in which anybody with a persuasive manner could get a lorry and set up in business.

Without advocating monopoly he argued that this did not provide the stable conditions industry required, and since under a liberal regime road haulage did not seem able to strike a balance between demand and supply, it was up to the Government to tell new entrants the industry was full up, and to stop issuing licences for a period.

British model for EEC insurance

By Our Insurance Correspondent

A warning that harmonization of EEC insurance legislation could threaten the freedom of investment choice for insurers was given yesterday by Mr Ron Peet, chairman of the British Insurance Association.

Speaking in Paris, Mr Peet said: "We hope that as the Common Market proceeds towards harmonization of insurance laws, legislators will recognize that the particular strengths of the United Kingdom insurers have resulted largely from 'freedom with disclosure' we have enjoyed in investment and other matters."

Mr Peet, chief executive of Legal & General, said: "We think that the EEC should move towards extending those freedoms to insurers in other countries, and this will benefit the policyholders in those countries as well as the insurance companies themselves."

£6m overseas orders for Leyland buses

Orders worth £6.2m for buses have been placed by operators in the West Indies, East Africa and Singapore, Leyland Vehicles Overseas Division announced yesterday.

These orders, which bring the total from overseas to £15m in two months, will provide valuable work for bodybuilders and subcontractors, as well as the big Leyland plants in Lancashire, Wolverhampton and Scotland.

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Counting

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Turquand stays to fight

replacement by a big international com- of one set of auditors with another ot uncommon these days, but Sime y's proposal to replace Turquand, gs with Price Waterhouse is quite dis- from the normal pattern. When Reed rnational brought in Price Waterhouse eplace Hill Vellacott or when BICC sub- ted Arthur Andersen for Chalmers y it was a clear case of bringing in an nationally-orientated firm to meet the pany's growing international auditing irements. The companies had, in effect, rown their traditional auditors.

ne Darby contends that its plans to iss Turquand fits into this category, but rgument so far is by no means self- ent, Turquand is, by any estimate, a big of accountants. It does not publish its income, but on most outside calcula- it is either the eighth or ninth largest sh firm, and on this basis its gross ne could well exceed £10m of which the Darby's audit accounts for £300,000. as a substantial international spread h, although not as comprehensive as Waterhouse's, is particularly strong e Far East. Its coverage extends to apore, Hongkong, Thailand, Brunei and ralia as well as Malaysia. It thus has a nce in all the main areas where Sime y operates, though not significantly in United States where Sime Darby rently has ambitions to expand.

e onus therefore rests clearly with Sime y to explain more fully both to Tur- d and to its shareholders in what cts Turquand's present services are ient. There is no reason otherwise for holders to back their board's proposal ange horses. If it really is just a ques- of size and spread, however, the accoun- world will have good reason to worry. tendency for big firms to get bigger the small smaller is well established perhaps, inevitable not only in the ntancy profession. But if, for this pur- "small" embraces international firms rquand's size then the prospects for lidation of auditing business into a tiny of giant firms is assuming even more bing proportions than anyone has yet ed.

the United States this has already ened. The "big eight" handle some 95 ent of the 500 largest company audits. process of concentration has not yet anything like as acute here. Turquand far an isolated case of a relatively big losing an audit in this way. But the g may now be on the wall, and from land's point of view the decision to it the 1976 Companies Act and make lic fuss at this stage is a sensible move tect its other business in the Far East.

The market however wants to see whether acquisition profits once "unlocked" can go on rising before reinstating Armstrong's one-time premium rating over other component groups.

Profits growth this year could be confined to around 10 per cent as the group consolidates, which without a deferred tax release would reduce the historic p/e ratio of under 7 by less than a point, while a yield of 5.6 per cent provides no real comfort.

Averys

Micro-electronic possibilities

Averys never quite seems to live up to expectations. After all, it has an enviable reputation in what is undoubtedly an expanding business making weighing machines and testing and measurement equipment. Or is it that expectations have been too high? Competition is strong, notably overseas, and the group has had to cope with a multitude of changes recently—decimalization, metrication, European harmonization of weights and measures and now, of course, the onset of miniaturization and the widespread adoption of micro-processors.

Averys has tackled all these hurdles cautiously and successfully, and can claim to be competitive, technically at any rate. Some 70 per cent of its weighing machine range now incorporates micro-professor technology and a new range of instruments will shortly be launched. But, perhaps unfairly allowing for the cost of making the conversion, it never made the killing everyone expected either from decimalization or metrication.

Results have been uninspiring though better than some engineers in the past couple of years, and the mixture so far this year is not very different. Sales are 13¾ per cent higher at £54m. But margins have remained under pressure so profits so far are only 5 per cent higher at £6.7m, though this had something to do with a damaging white collar dispute at the main Smethwick factory earlier this year which probably cost profits £0.5m.

Order books remain good, and profits this year are likely to be at least as good as last year's. So at 190p the shares are selling at 10 times earnings and yielding a prospective 5.1 per cent. That places Averys in line with the average, but it would be nice to think that any British push into micro-electronics will enable companies like this to produce the sort of profits growth that is much better than average, even if it means making some concessions to a balance sheet which is frankly over-conservative.

● *The Prime Minister may still believe a 5 per cent pay norm to be the better way of restraining price increases next year, but in practice he is rapidly finding himself on ground that is not so very far away from that occupied by the right wing of the Tory Party. If the impact of the Blackpool vote on pay is to encourage a return to disarray in the current pay round, the message seems to be that the light artillery of sanctions will be reinforced by the heavy artillery of fiscal and monetary policy—assuming, of course, that the Government means what it says and survives long enough to prove it.*

The long end of the gilt market tried to move higher on the back of the Prime Minister's message yesterday, but it soon became clear, and hardly surprisingly, that prices were not going to get very far. The yield curve is already restrictively flat and the other implication of the Prime Minister's statement was quite clearly that short-term interest rates would have to rise if necessary. That, moreover, was precisely what was happening yesterday, with most period rates in the money markets up by another quarter point or so and the coupon of this week's batch of local authority yearling bonds rising from 10⅞ to 10½ per cent.

That raises the question of whether markets are going to talk rates still higher, and whether the authorities are going to encourage them. Under the impact of higher United States rates and the storm stirred up on the pay front, the market's mood has shifted quite perceptibly over the past couple of weeks. That shift, however, probably still reflects uncertainty as much as any overwhelming conviction that interest rates have to go significantly higher, and on that basis the authorities may well see no point in changing their stance—other than keeping Eurosterling rates firm—until they see that there is something positive to be gained (or defended). On purely domestic considerations, next week's figures on the trend in bank lending will presumably offer some firmer guidance as to where we go next.

strong Equipment

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s growth slowed to something under a in the second-half at Armstrong Equip- but it has more than maintained its progress of the last three years with -year profits rise of 38 per cent to . The shares, which have been under cal pressure as a result of recent ition moves, responded with a 3p rise p, despite fears about the effect of problems in the motor industry.

ginal equipment now accounts for only one-fifth of Armstrong's total sales, Ford business accounts for perhaps 7 ent. So even a fairly long stoppage at may not hurt too much, particularly if gements can be made for direct ement deliveries to the car group's outors.

spects for replacement parts however n uncertain with results from other ment groups like Automotive Products ly indicating some slowdown in the trading conditions of the previous two

nstrong foresees a strong after-market ess offsetting delays in manufacturers' onent takeoff, while overseas manufac- , particularly in Spain, where the makes parts for the Fiesta, is begin- o make a significant contribution.

wever it is significant that Armstrong een treading the takeover trail with determination recently in an apparent to increase its lateral base.

eovers of Crane Screw, and more ly Hillcrest Engineering and Corner- have caused some debate about the 's future direction. So far an acquisi- olicy based heavily on assets criteria erved profits well—Crane contributed 00 against virtually nothing in its first onths, while Cornercroft is expected to ice a similar amount in the current

fit incre

Christopher Thomas

Inter-union bickering at the banks

The inter-union strife that afflicts the English clearing banks has worsened rapidly in the past 12 months. It now threatens to spread to building societies and insurance companies, thus embroiling most of the British finance industry in a damaging trade union scramble for bargaining rights.

The unions have attempted among themselves to establish spheres of influence—territorial boundaries—and failed. The TUC has tried, and is still trying, to clarify blurred recruitment borders. So far it has been unsuccessful. Now it is the turn of an independent arbitrator to try to come up with some answers.

Dr Tom Johnston, chairman of the Scottish Manpower Services Commission, has been exploring the trade union mess in the English clearing banks since April. The fruits of his inquiry are expected to be disclosed in a report later this month.

He bears a heavy burden. If he can help sort out the rancorous union battles in banking he might just save the rest of the finance industry from a similar fate.

The scene has shifted a great deal, even since Dr Johnston began his investigation. Lloyds Bank Staff Association (membership 22,000) has been trying to effect a marriage with the National Union of Bank Employees (Nube), but has stumbled over a legal obstacle.

What was to have happened (after approval of the members concerned) was for the staff association, and Nube members in Lloyds, to transfer to a new body called the Lloyds Bank Staff Union, which would then be affiliated to Nube, but retain a large degree of autonomy.

Unfortunately, the Trade Union (Amalgamation) Act, 1964 does not permit the transfer of part of a union's membership to another union, so that Nube members in Lloyds must stay where they are. Therefore, unless Lloyds staff association is prepared to move directly across to Nube, there appears to be little prospect of a get together.

Now there is the decision of the Bank of England Staff Organization, which represents two thirds of the Bank's 55,000 employees, that it should open exploratory talks with Nube about the prospect of a merger. That will enrage the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs (ASTMS) which for years has been hammering at the Bank's door and has repeatedly been turned away.

More than a year ago ASTMS made a formal claim under the Employment Protection Act for recognition by the Bank for negotiating purposes. Nube immediately responded with its own claim, merely to block the machinery. Since then the TUC has been attempting to mediate between the two unions on who should proceed with their application and who should step down.

Exasperated by the delay, ASTMS has formally invoked the TUC's Bridlington disputes procedure and the issue will now be subject to a ruling by a TUC disputes committee.

The main reason for the further deterioration of what were always poor relations between Nube and ASTMS is that Nube successfully mounted a raid into territory regarded by ASTMS as its own—the insurance industry. To thunderous ASTMS protests, Nube captured the big Guardian Royal Exchange Staff Union, thus giving Nube its first significant involvement in insurance.

The TUC disputes committee agonized over the issue and Mr Len Murray, the General Secretary, intervened. Eventually the committee suggested that Nube should keep out of insurance and ASTMS (which grabbed the Midland Bank Staff Association while Nube was out of the TUC over the Industrial Relations Act, and therefore not protected by Bridlington rules), should keep its nose out of banking.

But the TUC felt unable to stop the Guardian Royal Exchange takeover, simply because ASTMS had in the past invaded Nube's territory.

To further complicate matters the Association of Professional, Executive, Clerical and Computer Staff (Apex) has made some rather blundering attempts to get into English clearing banks but is faring better in its overtures to the insurance industry, and is quietly mopping up some members. Like the other two unions, it is also smiling sweetly upon building societies, which for the most part have in the past, have had very little truck with collective bargaining.

But the plot grows even thicker than that.

The Confederation of Bank Staff Associations, the umbrella for the staff associations at Lloyds, National Westminster and Barclays, is highly conscious of the fact that if it lost Lloyds much of the heart would be knocked out of the organization. It is therefore casting around with a view to recruiting some staff associations in other parts of the finance industry.

There are, then, four organizations with a keen appetite for members, climbing over one another in this latest trade union Klondike.

To set the scene properly, it is necessary to recall that on March 19 this year, the bargaining machinery in the "Big Five" collapsed. The structure was shared unequally between staff associations and Nube—unequally, because the staff associations between them have more clearing bank members (90,000 to 50,000) than Nube, and therefore had the superior voting strength when it came to decision making in joint negotiations.

It was the collapse of that machinery, caused by the withdrawal of a frustrated Nube, that prompted the employers to suggest an inquiry. There was a lot of agonizing before all sides agreed that Dr Johnston, who is on the list of Acas arbitrators, should do the job.

What might he say? He would disappoint a lot of people if he merely suggested a get together and eventual merger between the staff association and Nube, which has been tried before. (Does anybody remember the ill fated Association of Banking and Finance Unions?)

He might suggest the establishment of one national trade union for banking to which each of the relevant unions and staff associations would affiliate, with a large degree of autonomy. That would, of course, raise the vexed question of TUC membership, which might prove difficult for some staff association members to swallow.

Rumours abound and the latest (not confirmed) is that Barclays staff association might climb into bed with ASTMS and that National Westminster is heading towards a decision to give notice that it intends to withdraw from the Confederation of Bank Staff Associations. If either of those events happen, the scene will again change rapidly.

The tide is coming in fast, and unless Dr Johnston comes up with something to stem it, building societies and insurance companies had better brace themselves for a ducking.





Leif Mills (left), general secretary of Nube, and Clive Jenkins, of ASTMS: rival territorial claims.

Peter Hill reports on United States allegations of dumping

Is Europe damaging the American steel industry?

Colorado Springs

Steel industry leaders from all points of the globe who have converged on this quiet town which nestles in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains are devoting their attention to a range of conference papers which are far removed from the problems which beset the industry.

The organizers of the annual conference, the international Iron and Steel Institute, have produced speakers on topics which run the gamut from deep sea mining of manganese nodules to future industrial development in outer space. The guest speaker at last night's annual dinner was former United States Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger.

But, back on terra firma, there is an increasingly bitter row between the American steel makers and their European rivals. Officially, these international conferences are essentially designed to be social occasions, but after the buffeting which the steel industry has taken over the past four years, and the attempts on both sides of the Atlantic to restore balance to the steel market, it is inevitable that some areas of dispute still remain.

American steel chiefs have made no secret of their concern at the high level of steel imports into the American market—a trend which the trigger price mechanism introduced earlier this year was designed to reverse. The trigger price mechanism is designed to involve rapid anti-dumping action against low-price imports.

Much of the blame, the Americans say, must be laid at the door of European steel mills, which have failed to act responsibly in the way that the Japanese industry has by strictly observing the trigger price levels.

Instead, EEC producers (with the exception of the United Kingdom) had exploited the vacuum created by the reduction in Japanese imports and pumped in their own imports at what United States steel makers allege are dumped prices.

The future of the trigger mechanism, which is based on Japanese production costs, is now the subject of heated controversy. Just when it appeared to be working, the high level of July and August import shipments rang alarm bells and led to demands for a toughening of controls.

Over the first eight months of this year European imports into the United States rose by 43 per cent. Quoting official government figures Mr Lewis Foy, chairman of the American Iron and Steel Institute and also chairman of Bethlehem Steel, noted that imports from Belgium and Luxembourg were up by 47.4 per cent; from France by 24.9 per cent; from the Netherlands by 50.9 per cent; from Italy by 50.2 per cent; and from West Germany by a huge 72.5 per cent. Britain managed only a 1.5 per cent rise.

It is against this background that the United States steel industry lobby is pressing for a toughening of controls and a tightening up of the 1974 Trade Act, and is issuing threats that, if necessary, companies will reactivate several anti-dumping actions against European companies which have been withdrawn.

The EEC steel makers have let it be known equally strongly that it is not the EEC which is to blame for soaking up United States demand, which in any event, is expected to evaporate by the year end. Europe has pointed its accusing finger at third countries.

Conscious that the Americans would seek to use the fringes of the IISI Conference as a forum for calling for more action from the Carter Administration, the European Steelmakers Federation, Eurofer, put together its own set of figures

Dr Dieter Spethmann, head of Germany's Thyssen Group, explained that this year the EEC share of the United States market would be about 9 per cent compared with 6.5 per cent last year. West Germany's share of the market, he continued, would be less than 2 per cent, compared with 2.4 per cent last year.

Rejecting allegations that European companies in general, and the Germans in particular, were dumping steel, he noted that third countries had increased their share of American imports to about 40 per cent compared with a level of between 13 and 18 per cent in 1973-74.

After two increases in trigger prices and a 3 per cent rise in list prices (equivalent to a 15 per cent or so boost in real prices), and capacity utilization hovering around 85 per cent compared with 78 per cent a year ago, the American steel industry is moving back into the black and thousands of workers who were laid off are now back at work.

But what is worrying the American steel men is that market conditions are more likely to deteriorate than improve. Total imports this year could be 20 million tons. Industry leaders estimate that between 3 and 5 million tons of imported steel could be in warehouses up and down the country. The release of those surplus imports on to the market, they say, would be disastrous and lead to a repetition of the industry's calamitous problems last year.

The Europeans believe that the problem is of the Americans' own making, as a result of the pushing through of price increases combined with the effect of the appreciation of the Japanese yen and the effect of that on the trigger mechanism on which the system is based.

American steel men want the European imports cut back. Many support a suggestion that the trigger price mechanism should be extended to a two-tier system with a new trigger based on European production costs which, it is argued, would squeeze the Europeans out of the American market altogether.

Anthony Solomon, Under Secretary of State for Monetary Affairs and architect of the trigger plan, gave an insight into the Administration's latest thinking in a speech to conference delegates earlier this week. He said that while the mechanism was not going to be dismantled in the near future the Treasury would continue to monitor the conditions of the industry to determine whether the system was still needed.

He added: "The relatively high level of imports in July and August is disturbing and cause us concern. Although many experts abroad and at home believe that these levels will not persist, we will monitor future conditions carefully and respond appropriately".

Customs' authorities have investigated more than 200 alleged breaches of the trigger pricing rules so far but have found "genuinely extenuating circumstances" in the majority of cases. Formal investigation, however, may be required on some other alleged infringements.

For the present, the United States Treasury appears to be unsympathetic to the idea of a two-tier trigger system.

The steel lobby is a strong one. Steel industry union leaders, company executives, congressmen and senators are keeping up the pressure. Within the next two weeks Mr Foy and his executive colleagues from the American Iron and Steel Institute will be in Washington for more talks with Under Secretary Solomon at about the time that the September import figures become available.

Europe is being left in no doubt that the anti-dumping suits which have been withdrawn can be quickly reinstated and pursued. And unless there is tangible evidence of observance of the trigger prices they will be.

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Business Diary: Barred mitzvahs • Arabs for all seasons

Pritchard, chairman of the ester Hotel, tells me that 9m that Arab interests for the hotel two and a ears ago is not the end of ory.

ther £3m, he said yester- s to be spent on the hotel oming months providing rooms and air condition- s well as double-glazing, t out the roar of the Park traffic.

go-ahead has been given e Arab consortium's resi- contact man at the hotel, ffak al Midani, an aide ince Fahd, the first deputy minister to the Saudi an monarch, King Khalid. dani has two suites at the



Dorchester's Lord Pritchmore than a ha'porth of

Dorchester and has stayed there for years. The Prince and the King were Dorchester regulars even before the sale.

I asked Lord Pritchard if the Dorchester had regained any of the substantial Jewish custom that the hotel had formerly enjoyed. He said that this trade, whether from Americans (the Dorchester's biggest clientele) or from the British community, had dropped away entirely for about six months after the Arabs bought the hotel from the MacAlpine family.

However, thanks to the advice of the leaders of the Jewish community here and to the *Jewish Chronicle* newspaper, the British and Americans had decided not to play the Arabs' boycott game and were returning.

However, the hotel had yet to regain the substantial barmitzvah and wedding business—possibly, Lord Pritchard said, because the families organizing the events "want everyone, but everyone, to be there" and felt that some guests might stay away on principle.

Meanwhile, he says, the Dorchester is now making a better return on capital than it did before the takeover.

■ The Arabs have moved over the past five years from the margins to the centre of world politics. Now, in order to remove some of the veils from these powerful personalities who are not well known outside their countries, a new company is about to publish *The International Who's Who of the Arab World* (no relation to Adam and Charles Black's *Who's Who*).

It will be published in English. It was thought that it would be a useful reference book for the western world, and it was too expensive to publish it both in Arabic and English. Most of the Arabs listed speak English, though abbreviations common in other works of reference have been eschewed in order to help them.

The book will list biographies of 3,000 prominent men and a handful of women from the 18 Arab countries, as well as Anglo-Arabs, American Arabs and other expatriates.

The Arab *Who's Who* started research two and a half years ago using the same method as the British version, by sending impressive questionnaires to suitable cases for treatment, inviting them to write their own entries.

The problem arose that in the Middle East people keep letters on their desks for many moons before replying. The publisher and editor, Ilhan Nebioglu, a Turk, says: "When we started, people told me that Arabs would pay to be included in the *Who's Who*. In fact, many Arabs do not want any



information published about their private lives, even their addresses.

"Europeans are much more relaxed about strangers intruding into their private hemispheres."

The delicate work is now done and the subjects were not charged for inclusion.

Because of the difficulty of collecting the information, the book will cost £68.

■ On the way down from the Penthouse at the Dorchester after speaking to Lord Pritchard yesterday I called in on one of the Dorchester's guests, a weary looking Robert McNeil who had that moment arrived from Paris.

A lawyer, estate agent and mortgage broker, McNeil says he is here with $25m (about £12m) of his own money to spend on buying the United States and English-language Canadian rights of British and continental films.

He told me that he went into the film business a year or so ago, having bought rights to a clutch of French and Italian films for showing in what the Americans call the "art-movie" circuit.

Two of these, *Cat and Mouse*, directed by Claude Lelouch, and *Dear Inspector*, directed by Philippe DeBroca, have opened in the United States and are doing well. None the less, McNeil says, it will be some time before he sees his money back—if at all.

He says that in contrast to this country, television is so awful in the United States that people are flocking to the cinemas. There are now more of them than before, although the American studios are making fewer, if more expensively, promoted, films.

McNeil is gambling his money on the idea that some of this gap can be filled by European films, particularly since he can buy at least two or three of these for the price of rights to an American film.

His main problem at the moment, he said, is that it takes longer to negotiate the sale of a film than to make it. The negotiations are in French, which he doesn't understand, and the contracts are in English, which the producers don't understand.

The fine new 14-storey, $30m, premises of Wipo—World Intellectual Property Organization—in Geneva have been inaugurated with fitting ceremonial flourish. The emphasis is on water: a decorative waterfall gushes from around the foot of the huge bow window of the first-floor conference chamber. In the entrance hall, at the other side of the building, water seeps softly down a simulated cliff into an ornamental basin. Speculation that this "weeping wall of Wipo" symbolized the tears over the years of inventors whose patents have not been protected was invalidated at the inauguration by the architect. He explained that the water emerged in minute rivulets from five points along the top of the wall, symbolizing the five continents. At which there came a loud whisper in English: "More like the five incontinents."

Ross Davies

ESTATES AND GENERAL INVESTMENT LIMITED

Announcement of Unaudited Group Results for the Half Year ended 30th June, 1978

	Half Year 30 June 1978	Half Year 30 June 1977	Year to 31 Dec 1977
GROSS TURNOVER	£603,000	£864,000	£2,450,000
GROUP PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	107,000	90,000	332,000
Estimated Taxation	63,000	47,000	206,000
GROUP PROFIT AFTER TAXATION	44,000	43,000	126,000
Deduct Preference Dividend	4,349	4,349	8,697
	£39,651	£38,651	£117,303

1. The above results do no tinclude any contribution from County and Suburban Holdings Limited (C & S), which was acquired with effect from 1st July, 1978, but the results for the second half of the year will include those of C & S. The Directors anticipate that the results for the full year will show an improvement on the aggregate of the profits of C & S and E & G for the year ended 31st December, 1977, which amounted to £625,000, before taxation.

2. The Directors have declared an interim dividend in respect of the year ending 31st December, 1978, of 0.5p per stock unit (1977 0.3p) on the 9,724,500 ordinary stock units of 20p each in issue prior to the acquisition of C & S. This dividend totals £43,623 and together with a tax credit of 0.246p per stock unit, amounts to £72,571. The Ordinary Stock Units issued in consideration for the acquisition of C & S will rank for the final dividend in respect of the year ending 31st December, 1978.

The dividend will be paid on 29th November, 1978, to ordinary stockholders on the Register at the close of business on 27th October, 1978.

Medium-term finance outlook poses problems

International bankers weigh debt problems in loans to Third World

Washington, Oct 2.—Many nations are likely to face increasing difficulties in borrowing from international capital markets and private banks in the next few years.

Executives fdom such banks as N. M. Rothschild in London, Schroder Wagg in New York, Continental Bank in Chicago and Westdeutsche Landesbank in West Germany, stress that they do not expect any short-term problems, but note that the medium-term outlook is fraught with grave potential difficulties.

Private bankers and government officials who attended last week's annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank agreed that developing countries would have to obtain substantial foreign capital inflows in the next few years to sustain economic growth.

Further, they said, the failure of these countries to obtain adequate amounts of external capital could seriously slow world trade growth, produce major balance-of-payments problems and possibly present special difficulties to numerous banks.

However, the private bankers who discussed the background of the problems involved all stressed that they did not believe finance ministers from industrial countries or officials by the IMF fully appreciated the extent of the problems ahead, or recognized that they must take action directly if crises were to be avoided.

The dimensions of the borrowing levels which may be needed in coming years were outlined to the meetings by Mr Robert McNamara, the president of the World Bank.

He stated that forecasts for the future growth of middle-income developing countries assume that net cash flows to these countries would grow by about 12 per cent a year to 1985, against the 30 per cent a year rate seen between 1970 and 1975.

All the same, it means that the outstanding balances of these nations to private lenders will increase from $83,500m in 1975 to $349,800m (about £172,081m at present rates).

An executive at Continental Bank said that many people once doubted if the banking system could generate anything like the volume of loans to developing countries which have actually been seen in recent years.

But he stressed that the high level of lending had been due to no small degree to monetary policies, particularly by the American authorities, which have allowed a major increase in the size of the Euromarkets.

This banker said the expansion of the Euromarkets had directly contributed to the upswing in global inflaton rates, and further rapid growth of thest markets, whic might be essential to finance th needs of evrloping countries, would inevitably produce a still more dangeous international inflation problem.

By conservative estimatts bankers now believe the Eurodollar market volumt may exceed $500,000m.

A German banker said tighter money policied by central banks, which would inevitably rtstrain the growth of the Euromarkets, would force the IMF and national governments to find other ways to financt the needs of dtveloping countries.

He was very doubtful, however, whether an incrtase in official aid flows from major countries and international institutions would suffice to offset the possible shortfall in bank lending to dtveloping countries whic might arise.

Bankers from both London and New York said the best solution to thtse problems rested with governmental authorities and the IMF taking mmasures to reduce tht risks to private banks associated with lending to many developing countries.

These bankers said that a ustful start in this direction cold be made if the IMF, for example, providtd lending banks with better information on the economic prospects of potential borrowing countries.

Private bankers said that IMF and government officials continually suggested that what the banks were really after was a "bail-out".

This issue is irrelevant at a time when many banks are moving towards their lending limits with regard to credits to many countries, when an increasing number of developing countree sappear to be losing their credit-worthiness in the capital markets, and when some central abnks are urging commercial banks to slow their lending growth to foreign countrees.

Bankers point out that a strengthening of the IMF's resources barely scratches the surface of the mounting debt problems of many countries. They fear that governments and the IMF may start confronting these issues and taking action only after several countree have found themselves in critical debt difficultees.

Frank Vogl

FINANCIAL NEWS

Maidenhead sells land offshoots to Barratt

By Our Financial Staff

Maidenhead Investments (Holdings), which became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sir James Goldsmith's Argyle Securities earlier this year, is selling its Ash Homes and Francis (Springmeadows) subsidiaries to Barratt Developments for £2.6m. Barratt, a Newcastle-based housebuilder and developer, is also taking on the £400,000 of indebtedness owed by the companies, and will be acquiring certain properties from another subsidiary of Maidenhead.

The purchase price will be met from the proceeds of a placing with institutions of 2.48m Barratt shares—indicating a placing price of 104p a share, compared with 111p in the market. The shares do not rank for the Barratt final for the year to June 30 last, and represent an increase of about 7 per cent in the group's share capital.

Ash Homes has been established in the West Midland's for over 30 years and together with Francis it has a land bank of some 2,000 house plots near Birmingham as well as industrial land.

Over the year to March 31 its pre-tax profits were £198,000 and its net tangible assets are currently estimated at £2.2m.

At Maidenhead, the scheme for Argyle to step up its 78 per cent holding to full control went through in February after news that heavy start-up costs on new housebuilding sites had helped to turn a profit of £273,000 into a loss of £108,000 for the half year. The full year to March 31 ended with a loss of just £8,00 against a profit of £559,000.

Sterling strength helps Saga Holidays top its forecast

By Rosemary Unsworth

Saga Holidays exceeded its pre-tax profit predictions, made when it came on to the Stock Market earlier this year, by pushing profits up to £1.9m for the year to June 30 compared with £1.3m. It had said profits would top £1.85m in March.

The company, which specializes in off-season holidays for people over 60, also benefited from the increase in the strength of sterling and repaid holidaymakers to Spain between £10 and £20 each. Refunds were also paid to some Italian holidaymakers, and the total amounted to £164,000, said its managing director, Mr Roger De Haan.

In accordance with the March forecast the board is recommending a maximum dividend of 6.72p gross, and if profits stay at the same level, which the directors expect, the dividend will be increased to 10.23p gross during a full year. In future the interim will be paid in April and the final in November.



Mr Sidney De Haan, chairman of Saga Holidays.

Although turnover increased by 44 per cent to £18.5m during the year, it remained divided between United Kingdom holidays with 34 per cent, overseas 46 per cent and 20 per cent from cruising. But Mr De Haan stressed that the group's development this year would strengthen the United Kingdom holidays' side following the air traffic controllers' dispute and possible price increases in Europe.

"The first half of the current year, which is before our big booking period around Christmas, has been reasonably good, and we are hoping that if there is a downturn in overseas holidays, we will make up with the British element. After all, most holiday groups concentrate on one market whereas we have three outlets", said Mr De Haan. Last year more than 190,000 people took Saga Holidays, an increase on the previous year of 18 per cent.

Earnings a share rose from 12.1p to 16.6p.

Same-again likely from John Swire

By Tony May

The current year was expected to be more difficult at John Swire & Sons, one of the largest United Kingdom-based overseas trading groups, and the 6 per cent rise in first half profits to £14.5m before tax is in line with the board's expectations. The second half is expected to be, if anything, slightly harder, but should be offset by the results of associate companies. An outturn for the full year of about last year's figure, £27m, seems likely.

The first half profit is made up from £5m, against £3.9m from trading, £1.1m, compared with £1.3m from investment income, and £8.2m against £7.7m from the associated companies. Of the associates the biggest is Swire Pacific, in which the group has one third stake. It takes in airlines, properties, industrial and offshore activities.

The group's shipping operations in the Far East have been depressed—but the downturn in trade has been less marked there than in other parts of the globe. The group's interest include a 26 per cent stake in Overseas Containers (Pacific).

The group's bulk carrier performed in line with a depressed market, but the ships are coming up for charter soon and the rates are slightly less favourable.

The operations in Japan are going well. The Australian transport business has also been holding up with the refrigerated transport and warehousing business doing particularly well.

Yorkgreen Invs rights issue

Yorgreen Investments has proposed a one-for-one rights issue as 12p to raise £174,000 which will be used to purchase the remaining 50 per cent of shares of its associate company, Interlite Linear Controls.

Yorgreen is forecasting a dividend of 0.49p gross for the current year if the acquisition is approved, although there is no dividend for the year to April 30, 1978. It made pre-tax profits of £5,779 compared with £9,363 last year. Turnover amounted to £5,909 and earnings a share of 0.11p in 1977 have been turned into a loss of 0.38p for 1978.

Interlite made pre-tax profits of £30,000 in the four months to August 31, 1978 and Yorkgreen plans to expand its activities. This will entail Reddrand, a Yorkgreen subsidiary which distributes building and electrical products, becoming part of Interlite.

Briefly

ALBRIGHT & WILSON

Company has purchased for its Bush Boake Allen flavours and fragrances subsidiary a 10.4-acre site in London from Great Portland Estates for £3.8m.

SHEFFIELD TWIST DRILL & STEEL

Company owned by SKF had half-year turnover to June 30 of £13.2m (£11.6m). Pre-tax profit, £1.4m (£1.4m). Interim dividend is 1.86p gross.

RATNERS (JEWELLERS)

Acceptances for recent rights issue totalled 1,76m shares, 97.98 per cent. Balance sold and proceeds distributed to entitled shareholders.

SARAH TIMBER CO

In continuance of its policy of expansion and diversification, company to purchase for cash, subject to clearance in Ireland under the Mergers, Takeover and Monopolies Council, capital of Moran Group, builders' providers and timber merchants in Dublin, Cork, Limerick and Sligo.

BRITISH PRINTING CORP

Acceptances received for recent rights issue came to 90.16 per cent. Balance sold and proceeds distributed to entitled shareholders.

WM BOULTON PURCHASE

Company has acquired Service (Engineeers), makers of automatic and semi-automatic machines for the ceramic industry, for £790,000 in cash. Net asset value of Service (Engineeers) as at December 31 last was £891,000 before provision for deferred tax. Net profit for the period was £250,000.

FERRANTI DEALINGS

On the first day of dealings in group's shares (September 29) Mr D. J. Alun-Jones, the managing director, sold 25,000 shares in the name of Guinness Mahon Nominees.

PRIMROSE AND CORONATION

Primrose Industrial Holdings and Coronation Industrials said in Johannesburg that they propose to merge. The deal should result in combined taxed earnings for the year ending March 31 rising at least 2.3 cents per Primrose share.

GENERAL MOTORS

Profit margin so far this year is running behind last year's 6.1 per cent, Chairman Mr Thomas A. Murphy said. Overall business this year is very good—and the company expects another good year next year.

BIC INCREASES 40 PC

The BIC multinational Throw-away pen and lighter group of France has shown net earnings for first six months of year of 92.3m francs, an increase of 40 per cent on the year-earlier total of 65.2m. Operating profit for the first half stood at 154.2m francs, or 23 per cent more than a year earlier, on sales of 1,066m francs up by 9 per cent.

CAPITAL ISSUES

Gross capital issues last month totalled £303m, the second biggest this year, according to Bank of England. But £180m of this was accounted for by a British Leyland rights issue which was 99 per cent subscribed by the Government. Excluding this, issue total was lowest since April. Allowing also for redemptions net issues were £41m.

Ingall shines in second-half

The second half-year Ingall Industries, a leading engineering and furnishings group, brought nearly as big a profit as the whole of the previous year. Profits rose 42 per cent, £245,000 for the second half give the group an outturn £347,000—a rise of 37 per cent. Turnover for the year to June 30 was 17 per cent up at £4.2m. Earnings a share were ahead from 2.71p to 3.07p, and the dividend is raised from 2.57p to 2.78p gross.

Of the group's two activities funeral furnishing brought most of operating profits £258,000 against £160,000 year ago, on turnover up from £2.06m to 2.5m.

Wool textile men call for curbs on Italian cloth

The Yorkshire-based wool textile industry is seeking talks with the government ministers to press for more curbs on imports. The industry is particularly concerned about the large increase of Italian cloth into this country.

Mr Tom Hibbert, leader of the industry, told Bradford Textile Society that in the first seven months of this year, imports of Italian cloth were 23.5 million sq metres compared with 12.5 million sq metres in the previous year. "This means disaster and we have to convince the Government that they must do something", he said.

Restructure of engineering services by Crown Agents

By Maurice Corina

The Cown Agents have reorganized their engineering services for their overseas principals.

In addition to project management and consultancy services, a new directorate will also handle the purchase of all engineering equipment and plant, not only for their own operations, but as agents for their principals.

Mr Tony Kirkby, the Crown Agents' director of engineering services, said: "This new enlarged directorate brings together all our engineering activities, combining the advisory and project services with our widely-based engineering procurement organization.

"This will enable use to offer a comprehensive and coordinated service to our principals over a wide range, using a more closely-integrated staff of professional engineers supported by a reorganized technical secretariat."

Engineering and the procurement of equipment and stores have previously been handled separately.

The directorate will start with work in 18 countries on projects ranging from road construction and irrigation to earth stations, telecommunications and industrial projects.

UK RESERVES

The following are the figures for the United Kingdom's official reserves issued by the Treasury:

End of period	$m	£m	Change in month $
1977			
Sept	17,171	9,826	+2,319
Oct	20,211	10,987	+3,040
Nov	20,394	11,227	+ 193
Dec	20,557	10,715	+ 163
1978			
Jan	20,868	10,691	+ 311
Feb	20,701	10,690	— 167
March	20,320	10,910	— 381
April	17,038	9,327	—3,282
May	16,661	9,112	— 377
June	16,542	8,891	— 119
July	16,735	8,670	+ 193
Aug	16,405	8,447	— 330
Sept	16,511	8,365	+ 106

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Apart from the above offers Scholarships (and the Boarding Scholarship) all Entrance Scholarships will initially be to the value of half the tuition fee (at present £1,050 per annum). At least one Scholarship will be an instrumental music scholarship, and one art scholarship will be awarded. In cases of special need the value of a Scholarship can be increased. All Scholarships are available to day boys, full boarders and weekly boarders. Parents who wish to visit the College are invited to telephone (01-693 3601) for an appointment. Applications to sit the examination should be made by 31st December, 1978.

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The examinations will take place at the school during the first week of February, 1979.

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Children who have passed their 12th birthday on 1st September 1978 are required to offer certain subjects in addition to the compulsory English and mathematics.
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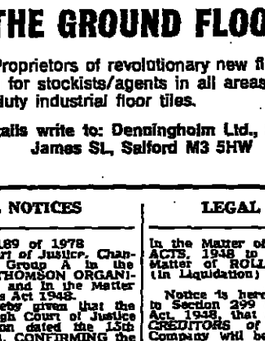
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LEGAL NOTICES

In the Matter of The COMPANIES ACTS, 1948 to 1976, and in the Matter of ROLLS RAZOR Limited (in Liquidation)
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at Guildhall House, 81/87, Gresham Street, London, EC2V 7DS, on Friday, the 10th day of November 1978, at 12 noon for the purpose mentioned in Section 299 of the said Act.
Dated this 29th day of September, 1978.
K. R. CORK, Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. In the Matter of ASSOCIATED DEVELOPMENT HOLDINGS (FINANCE) Limited, by Order of the High Court of Justice dated the ninth day of August 1978.
I, GEORGE ALBERT AUGER of Messrs. Sley, Hayward and Partners, 44 Baker Street, London, W.1, have been appointed LIQUIDATOR of the above-named Company. All debts and claims should be sent to me.
Dated this nineteenth day of September 1978.
G. A. AUGER Liquidator.

In the Matter of A. B. TIGG & CO. Ltd. By Order of the High Court dated the 28th June, 1978. NEVILLE ECKLEY, F.C.A., of Pembroke House, 44 Wellesley Road, Croydon, has been appointed LIQUIDATOR of the above-named Company with a Committee of Inspection.
Dated 4th September, 1978.
NEVILLE ECKLEY, Liquidator.



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CONTRACTS AND TENDERS

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Salto Santiago Transmission System
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Centrais Elétricas do Sul do Brasil S.A. — Eletrosul — has receive loan from the world bank in various currencies equivalent to US$ 82 million, and it intends to apply the proceds of this loan tc financing parts of the 500 kV Salto Santiago transmission syster This project includes the construction of about 700 km of 500 kV transmission lines, four 500 kV sub-stations with about 1 500 M installed capacity, expansion of existing 230 kV sub-station, installation of microwave and carrier telecomunication system a installation of system operating center.

For contract SS-145, Eletrosul will invite bids from manufacture for supply of the following groups of equipments:
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The bidding documents will be available upon the payment of CR$ 3.000,00 (three thousand cruzeiros) per set after october, 06, 1978, at the following address:
Centrais Elétricas do Sul do Brasil S.A. — Eletrosul
Diretoria de Suprimentos
Departamento de Contratos e Concorrências
Rua Arcipreste Paiva, 13 — 11º andar
Edifício José Daux
CEP — 88.000 — Florianópolis — Santa Catarina
Brazil.

The bid, shall be submitted to Eletrosul in the form indicated in instruction to bidders, and will be opened by Eletrosul at 3:00 p on november, 30, 1978, at:
Centrais Elétricas do Sul do Brasil S.A. — Eletrosul
Diretoria de Suprimentos
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Lot No. 4—Lifting gear,
Lot No. 5—Machine tools and tools,
Lot No. 6—Road equipment,
Lot No. 7—Prefabrication equipment,
Lot No. 8—Geotechnical equipment,
Lot No. 9—Surveying equipment.
Tender documents are available to suppliers interested in bid for one or several of the above-mentioned lots from Soc Nationale des Industries des Liages et du Bois, 1 rue Kadc Rahim, Hussein Dey, Algiers, Algeria, as from the publica date of this invitation to tender.
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Tenders must be in hand within 45 calendar days of the publ tion of this announcement.

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NANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

ock markets

Buyers return and index rebounds

ie *FT* Ordinary share index iced back through the 500 yesterday as the buyers rned to the stock market. icouraged by the Prime ster's firm line on inflation, er stocks were again in and and the index closed ip at 505.2, its highest level ie day.

rnover, however, continued anguish, with the political rtainties deterring genuine stment. The shakeout of ır weeks, which has cut : 36 points from the index, given the market an over- air, which was rectified in yesterday as some institu- and pension funds dipped itant toe back into the buy- vaters.

ite increased sales of china in the June to September ter, major producer, Eng- China Clup, is unlikely to benefited substantially. improvement in volume is eflected in value and some feel that the share price. h at 80p is selling at a rective multiple of around nticipating a 1979 recovery, king over-valued.

llowing the recent drift wards, gilt-edged securi- particularly at the longer rested higher ground with s gaining around a quarter point.

wever, sentiment was r among shorts which as much as a quarter at tage as dearer money fears ndon and the rising trend ited States interest rates uraged buying. But, helped ie longs, stocks recovered of their poise in the after- to end unchanged on the

leaders Beecham firmed 712p on clarification of its ts position while GKN at 270p, ICI at 396p and Courtaulds at 124p added 3p.

..Unilever climbed 6p to 564p, Metal Box went 4p higher to 356p and Pilkingtons ended 9p better at 307p.

Glaxo, with figures on Monday, firmed 8p to 635p while Farnell, also reporting next week spurted 13p to 403p.

In electricals, Plessey at 123p and Racal at 340p added 6p each on vague merger speculation whie ICL went 26p better to a year's high of 460, helped by thoughts that the group might come to a merger arrangement with Plessey.

Elsewhere, Ferranti added 8p ot 362p, GEC firmed 5p to 328p and Curry, having second thoughts on Monday's interim statement rallied 10p to 199p.

Higher annual profits from Armstrong Equipment nudged the shares 3p higher to 60p while Bunzl Pulp firmed a penny to 97p on its interim results and Avery marked time at 190p.

In motors ERF at 117p and Jonas Woodhead at 107p both went 9p better on patchy buying.

On the bid scene, J. Compton Sons & Webb eased a penny to 70p while Carrington Viyella, which has withdrawn from the fray, added ½p to 374p. Vantona which has recently increased its stake to 11 per cent slipped 2p to 123p while Courtaulds, currently the only bidder added 3p to 124p on news that a fourth party could make an offer for Compton.

W. L. Pawson, the uniform and ladies' outerwear manufacturers, returned from its July suspension of 43p with the old shares touching 64p at one stage, before closing at 60p, while the new went as high as 24p before easing back a similar amount to 20p. Some market men feel that there could be a bit of profit-taking today.

News of discussions which could lead to a takeover added 18p to Footwear Industry Investments at 80p, while bid speculation in foods added 3p to Robertson at 157p, and 2p to Avana at 574p. Fitch Lovell, an old takeover favourite, firmed a penny to 66p, while Spillers added 1½p to 34½p.

Profit-taking clipped 8p from White, Child & Penny at 114p while the parent group, Guinness, added 3p to 163p.

Bonks were little changed with Lloyds at 248p and Midland at 338p holding steady and National Westminster at 260p and Barclays at 328p adding two or three pence.

Birmingham Mint improved 2p to 120p on bid hopes, following news that National Transport Tokens had sold 10 per cent of its 15 per cent stake.

Bass Charrington climbed 3p to 165p yesterday despite news that brewing figures for August were down on last year. The poor summer has particularly hit lager sales in which Bass, with 30 per cent of its output in this area, could be hard hit.

A new record bullion price underpinned gold shares and among those to improve were Randfontein at £35 1/32, Western Deep Levels at £8 7/16 and President Brand at £9 7/16.

Equity turnover on October 2 was £63.14m (14,764 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were BP, Shell, ICI, J. Compton, Sons & Webb, Dalgety, Pawson & Son, Rank, F. W. Woolworth, Boots, Bowater, Beecham, John Brown, ICL, ERF and J. Woodhead.

Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Armstrong Equip (F)	83.6(67.4)	8.6(6.2)	8.7(6.5)	1.46(1.30)	—	2.2(2.0)
Averys (I)	54.0(47.5)	6.7(6.3)	8.2(7.4)	2.15(1.9)	1/12	—(—)
Bunzl (I)	104.1(109.1)	6.7(8.0)	10.3(13.4)	3.19(2.8)	29/11	—(—)
Cape Indsts (I)	87.4(77.2)	5.6(6.7)	20.0(23.0)	3.2(2.9)	—	—(—)
Estates & Gen (I)	0.60(0.86)	0.10(0.09)	—(—)	0.5(0.3)	29/11	—(—)
Ingall Indsts (F)	4.2(3.6)	0.34(0.25)	3.0(2.7)	1.26(1.14)	—	1.87(1.70)
Park Pl Invsts (F)	2.0(1.4)	0.43(0.21)	6.1(3.2)	0.81(0.7)	30/11	1.11(1.0)
Phoenix Mining (I)	0.86(0.24)	0.01(0.06)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Saga Holidays (F)	18.5(12.8)	1.9(1.3)	16.6(12.1)	4.5(4.7)	—	4.5(4.7)
Sheffield Twist (I)	13.2(11.6)	1.43(1.43)	—(—)	1.25(—)	—	—(—)
J. Swire & Sons (I)	5.0(3.9)	14.5(13.7)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.49. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net.

Bunzl aims to recoup opening relapse

The depressed conditions met by Bunzl Pulp & Paper in 1977 have spilled over into the current year and sent profits sliding.

Interim figures for the six months to June 30, show sales slipping by £4.9m to £104m leaving pre-tax profits down at £6.7m against 8m for the same period.

This was in spite of an improved contribution from overseas associated companies of 1.99m against £1.78m. Earnings a share also slipped from 14.1p to 12.0p. An interim dividend of 4.71p gross has been declared compared with 4.3p

However, in spite of the slip in profits the shares moved ahead 1p to 98p yesterday.

Comentin gon the figures Mr Gustav Bunzl, chairman, stated the forecast made at this stage last year proved too optimistic because of unexpected currency movements and the downturn in parts of the group's activities. Therefore he expects pre-tax profits for the current year to be much in line with the £12.3m achieved last year.

A major serback to the group's profits came from its Austrian subsidiary Bunzl & Biach which made a loss compared with a small profit last year. Difficult trading wos also experienced in the United Kingdom cigarette filter division. Results here were adversely by the continuing move to simler filters. This resulted in the closure of its Burnley factory with the loss of about 70 jobs.

Mining division set to do better at Cape Industries

By Michael Prest

Another round of disappointing results from its mining division pushed pre-tax profits at Cape Industries, the asbestos and industrial group 66.9 per cent owned by Charter Consolidated, down to £5.6m for the six months to the end of June, compared with £6.7m for the first half of 1977.

Trading profit was £6.96m, against £7.43m, of which mining's share was £2.04m. In the first half of last year, mining, which essentially means the company's South African asbestos interests, contributed a trading profit of £3.5m, followed by £1.4m in the second half of 1977.

This improving trend on the second half of last year is expected by Mr G. A. Higham, Cape's managing director, to become more marked in the current half, with 1979 looking much better as demand for asbestos improves. Cape has more or less completed its mine investment programme and this, combined with measures to cut costs, should also assist mine profits.

Profits are also expected to recover at the automotive and engineering division, where they fell to £1.2m compared with £1.72m in the first half of 1977. Demand for car components was especially weak in the first quarter, largely because suppliers had overstocked during the previous year. But demand is picking up again, and the second six months is expected to be stronger.

The bright spot in Cape's results was the building and insulation division which increased trading profits by 57 per cent to £3.64m, reflecting generally better conditions in the building industry.



Mr R. H. Dent, chairman of Cape Industries.

Turnover was £87.4m compared with £77.2. Building's share was £50.4m (£40.2m), automotive's £26.4m (£21.6m), and mining's £11.6m (£17.9m). Earnings per share were 20p (23p).

Despite Cape's pre-tax profits falling by £2.3m to £11.6m in 1977, it is an important part of Charter's recovery plans. Cape's interim dividend was increased by the maximum allowable to 4.76p gross, and an extra 0.12p gross was declared for 1977 after reduced Advanced Corporation Tax payments, bringing the total to 4.89p gross.

Long-term finance now Benlox policy

By Michael Clark

Benlox Holdings, formerly Benfield Loxley, has negotiated with its bankers for long term finance to be used to substitute its short term borrowings which were used for long term investment in property and business.

The latest accounts show that net current liabilities increased from £237,000 to £255,000. But net borrowings fell by more than half to £220,000 and while shareholder's funds were reduced from £267,000 to £197,000. the group's gearing improved from 320 per cent to about 220 per cent.

A forecast made by the directors as recently as December claimed that the group would achieve pre-tax profits of £9,000 for the year to February 28, 1978. But it was evident, said Mr Rodney Harnett, recently appointed chairman, in his annual report, that the group was making substantial losses and was in fact heading towards a possible collapse. The group, in the event, made a pre-tax loss of £144,341.

The group now intends the chairman added, to investigate suitable investment opportunities which would enable it carefully to rebuild.

At the same time the accounts have been qualified by its auditors Thornton Baker, which stated that as significant information had been drawn from unaudited management accounts, they had been unable to form an opinion on losses of £149,000 and extraordinary losses of £2,000.

B/ham Mint bid shapes up

The possibility of a takeover bid for Birmingham Mint emerged yesterday with the announcement that National Transport Tokens has reduced its 15 per cent stake in the company by 10 per cent by teh sale of 200,000 shares.

And Astra Industrial Group's acquisition two weeks ago which increased its stake to 9 per cent helped to underpin the price which rose 2p to 120p yesterday.

Although Mr Desmond Holley, National Transport's nominee director on the Birmingham Mint board, has resigned following the reduction in holding, Mr Dukes said Astra was unlikely to accept any offer to appoint an Astra nominee to replace him.

Celanese bidding $30 a share for Olim stake

By Our Financial Staff

In the latest round of takeover deals to emerge from the United States in recent weeks is the news that the Celanese Corporation is bidding $30 a share for a 30 per cent stake in the Olin Corporation.

The remaining shares of Olin will receive three-eighths of a Celanese ordinary share and one-eighth of a new Celanese $8.50 covertible preferred stock.

Each new preference share will be convertible into $1.85 Celanese ordinary shares.

The agreement is subject to approval by the boards of both companies. A special meeting of the boards of both companies will be held later on this week.

A major reason behind the merger is to create a company with a broader and more diverse product line.

At the same time, the new company, to be called Celanese-Olin, will have increased financial resources to meet future capital requirements.

Last year Olin, which makes chemicals, brass, guns and paper, reported earnings of $78.1m ($3.24 a share) on sales of $147,000 while Celanese, which makes chemicals and plastics, achieved $70m ($4.70 a share) on sales of $232.000m.

Meanwhile the board of DCL Inc has rejected the offer of $5 a share from Greyhound, which stated that it is not interested in raising its price.

Fourth bidder for Compton

Carrington Viyella has withdrawn its £10m cash and share offer for J. Compton, Sons and Webb (Holdings), the uniform maker which is being wooed by two other groups.

Carrington decided to abandon its offer in the face of a £12m bid from Courtaulds, which was originally agreed by the Compton board, although it has now advised shareholders to wait for a fourth bidder whose identity has not been revealed. Carrington chairman, Mr Leonard Regan, said that other groups valued Comptons more highly

Earlier this year Vantona acquired 1.5m Compton shares, and increased its stake to 11 per cent yesterday which suggests that it may have made fresh overtures.

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board of Hoskins & n, the Birmingham-based r and engineer, has mously decided that any le merger with the Group could be of no ercial advantage. This is se the activities of Talbex different from those of ns.

statement from Mr S. chairman of Hoskins, that the board believes the company is already cing most effectively on export side, in which s main interest lies. In on the group's joint e in Kuwait with local rs is poised to begin pro- n within the next three s, which is expected to the group's commercial gh in that area.

refore the board feels further discussions with oard of Talbex could no useful purpose. since s not believe the merger be in the best interest of yees on dshareholders.

ex made its approach veck following its pur- of a 29.2 per cent stake oskins from the Artoc for 159p a share.

ex, the chairman added, divedse group involved lustrial soaps and deter- aerosols, contract pack- hairdressing salons and nditioning equipment.

ır Financial Staff

Pentos—Midland Educational bid

Sharp contrast in styles

The £2.16m cash offer from Pentos for Midland Educational will be formally rejected in detail, probably today or tomorrow and the central planks of the resistance will include the results of a property revaluation and the impact of new accountancy recommendations relating to deferred tax on earnings and asset backing.

But there is something more to this battle than mere number-crunching. If one were to write a screenplay for an episode of "The Brothers" television series one could hardly do better than to contrast the management styles and attitudes of the opposing parties. Take on the one hand the fast moving, ever acquisitive Mr Terry Maher, the Pentos chairman. He is a product of the First National Finance Corporation stable who, in the days of the aggressive investment banking and dealing operators, injected a series of diverse interests into what was once known as The Cape Town & District Gas Light Coke Company. Few would now question that his mini-conglomerate has proved highly successful in the field of publishing, book retailing, garden and leisure products, engineering and construction.

Midland Educational, the Birmingham-based book and stationery retailer, can trace its history back to 1871 and has paid a dividend in each subsequent year. Its shareholders, meanwhile, have been remarkably loyal. The board, headed by Mr E. G. Wilcox, probably holds no more than 6 per cent of the equity but the group believes that if it counted friends and long-standing members some 37 per cent of the shares could be construed as hostile to a bid. Britanic Assurance holds about 9 per cent and, with three other insurance companies on the register, institutions possibly account for a total of 17 per cent.

The defence admits that many of its shareholders are pensioners who would be tempted by Pentos' 150p cash per share offer. Thus Midland will be stressing the effect on earnings and assets of the new treatment of deferred taxation. On this basis, last published earnings would be improved from 13.59p to 16.86p per share which implies an historic exit p/e in single figures. Net asset backing, before the results of the property revaluation are released, would rise on this basis from 115.3p to 144.9p per share.

That allows little or nothing for goodwill on these terms, an intangible item normally considered essential in the acquisition of a well established retail chain. The Pentos chairman, however, would argue that Midland does not offer premium earnings and that its potential would only be appreciably enhanced on the completion of the merger.

He calculates that his book selling arm earns a return on assets employed of more than 40 per cent, while Midland returned only 17.57 per cent last year against a peak 22.74 per cent in the year ended 31 March, is that an efficient book retailer must stock, and thus distribute on a branch network, the fullest possible range of the 300,000 different titles available to the reader. Midland, of course, was formed to provide this service and is currently experimenting with a microfiche operation in conjunction with W H Smith which will locate and deliver single copies of titles within seven days.

At £1.68m last year, Pentos' publishing and book selling arm was by some way the most important contributor to a total trading profit of £3.71m. Its growth rate of some 26 per cent was considerably lower than that of the engineering and the garden and leisure products division but there can be little doubt that for the foreseeable future Pentos' expansionary efforts will be concentrated on the world of books. After all, as Mr Maher points out, "we are the only company in the United Kingdom opening specialist book shops". And while bookselling was returning 40 per cent plus, the group as a whole (admittedly in a difficult construction climate) achieved a 25 per cent return last year.

Ray Maughan

ness appointments

sociated Engineering mes two new directors

K. Corcoran and Mr W. H. t have been made directors ociated Engineering.

Jim Francis, group deputy ian of Dobson Park Indus- has additionally been made ian of the Kango division, ing the retirement of Mr Kane. Mr Francis will be ded as chairman of the t machinery division by Mr Kaye, chief executive of that n. Mr Geoffrey Chibbett has up his post as group finance or but remains chairman of ngineering division (Mid- . Mr Graham Edwards joins board as group finance or.

S. R. Harding, a director l Samuel, has become a non- ive director of BPB ries.

Bryan Knight has joined Group as chief executive lso becomes joint deputy ian.

H. Lewis and Mr B. K. son have been made execu- irectors of Initial Services.

R. A. Metcalfe has retired. D. W. Ellis becomes a or of Richards.

D. C. L. Marwood has been ted a director of ICL's main ing subsidiary, International ters.

R. O. Bernays, Mr D. A. Mr P. R. Horrobin, Mr S. D. F. Kaempfer, Mr D. I. Lundell, Mr R. D. Lutyens, Mr G. H. Rees-Williams, Mr P. von Simson, and Mr N. C. von Speyr have been named executive directors of S. G. Warburg.

Mr W. H. Jones becomes chief executive of Low and Bonar UK packaging division. Mr David Wright has been appointed managing director of Low and Bonar Packaging and Bibby & Baron (Leominster), two of the division's companies.

Mr Michael Meagher and Mr Ken Wall are joining the main board of Ulster Bank.

Mr Humphrey Odd has been appointed retail operations director of Victoria Wine.

Mr Robert Sinclair has been appointed a director and general manager of Artoc Bank and Trust.

Mr Anthony Westmedge has been appointed a director of John Walker and Sons.

Mr Leslie Tolley, chairman of Renold, becomes chairman of the Council of the British Institute of Management. He succeeds Sir Derek Ezra.

Mr Ray Hedley is now a director of Bellway.

Mr Nicholas Sibley has been made deputy managing director of Jardine Fleming.

Mr Mungo Bisset becomes director of finance for the Automobile Association.

Bowater takes in Rhine shipper and forwarder

Bowater Corporation has bought through its German subsidiary, Rhenania Schiffahrts-und Speditions GmbH, and its Swiss associate company, Schweizerische Reederei und Neptune AG, the forwarding, warehousing and Rhine shipping companies, Konigsfeld of Rotterdam, and Roba of Basle, respectively.

Both companies were part of Incotrans of Holland, a subsidiary of the Swedish Brostrom Group, and have a net asset value of 5m.

In December last year, Bowater Corporation took in Dyna-Plastik Werke GmbH of Cologne by its subsidiary group, Wickrather Handels-und Beteiligungs AG. WHB entered the plastic processing business in 1974 by acquiring Bolta-Werke GmbH, manufacturers of injection mouldings and extruded products.

Thomson's agreed bid for EC Hldgs

Thomson Organisation has made an agreed cash takover bid for investment company E.C. (Holdings).

At 40p a share the offer values E.C. (Holdings) at £1m. Thomson already holds 50 per cent of shares and has received undertakings from the board and other shareholders for a total of 65 per cent. The consideration for the outstanding 1.25m shares will amount to £504,000.

Rustenburg Platinum advances to £20m

Improved conditions in the platinum market have pushed profits of Rustenburg Platinum Holdings up from R4.5m to R34.5m (£20.2m) for the year to August 31. The dividend is to be 8c a share against 2.5c.

Negotiations aimed at restoring to profit the sales to Engelhard Minerals and Chemicals for use by a car company, have been successful. As a result, the price of the platinum sold under this contract went up, adding R3.69m to profits.

The shares rose 7p yesterday to 93p.

Over at Lydenburg Platinum, net income for the year to October 31 went up from R408,000 to R978,000. The dividend is 6.8c against 2.7c.

Local authority coupon at 10½ p c

The coupon on this week's batch of local authority bonds has jumped from 10¼ per cent to 10½ per cent. This is the highest rate this year and the last time that yearling bonds stood at this level was in March, 1977, when the rate was on the way down from a peak of 11½ per cent.

The biggest bond is Birmingham's £3m, while Hillingdon, Oldham and Sunderland are raising £1m apiece, while Northamptonshire is raising £750,000.

Estates & Gen sees full-time £525,000

On the back of a 30 per cent rise in turnover to £603,000, pre-tax profits of Estates & General Investments have risen 19 per cent to £107,000 for the six months to June 30. For the full year the board is looking for about £525,000, against £332,000. This will be boosted by a contribution from County & Suburban Holdings.

Town & City share disposal

Mr Oliver Marriott, a director of Town & City Properties, sold 350,000 shares in the company last Thursday at 13p a share. The disposal, which he described as a "purely personal thing", cuts the holding he acquired on the merger with Sterling Guarantee nine years ago back to 25,000 shares.

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major reorganization of its bag subsidiary took place the past few months, and ll be some time before it mplicted. But the losses already been considerably ced, and further benefits id accrue in 1979.

oby is a subsidiary of Low nar.

Options

Courtaulds was easily the most active stock on the traded options pitch yesterday, claiming 168 of the 794 contracts.

Business is beginning to increase in several of the original 10 stocks with the October expiry date now less than three weeks away.

In the conventional options market New Throgmorton warrants and capital saw some trade while calls were also taken in Belhaven Brewery, Barker & Dobson, Coral and Automated Securities.



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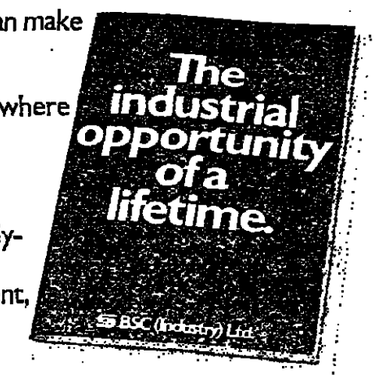
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MARKET REPORTS

Commodities

COPPER was very steady.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £748.50-49.00 a metric ton; three months £760-770. Sales, 5,750 tons. Cash cathodes, £736.50-37.50; three months, £737.50-38.50. Sales, 2,000 tons. Morning.—Cash wire bars £749-50.00; three months, £770-70.50. Settlement, £750. Sales, 7,700 tons. Cash cathodes, £738-38.50; three months, £758.50-59.00. Settlement, £738.50. Sales, 2,750 tons.

SILVER gained about 5p in the ring.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 293.0p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent 576.7); three months, 300.9p (586.0c); six months, 308.7p (595.1c); one year, 325.5p (620.5c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 294.5-94.5p; three months, 301.8-01.9p. Sales, 62 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 293.1-93.3p; three months, 300.6-300.8p. Settlement, 293.5p. Sales, 88 lots.

TIN was easier.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £7,170-75 a metric ton; three months, £6,935-36. Sales, 695 tons. High grade, cash £7,170-90; three months, £6,945-75. Sales, nil tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £7,195-7,200; three months, £6,960-65. Settlement, £7,205. Sales, 600 tons. High grade, cash, £7,205-7,220; three months, £6,975-7,000. Settlement, £7,220. Sales, 10 tons. Singapore tin ex-works, $M1,880 a picul.

LEAD was very firm, cash gaining £10 and three months putting on £7.75.—Afternoon.—Cash, £389-390 per metric ton, three months, £387-388. Sales, 5,300 tons. Morning.—Cash £385.50-86.00; three months, £385-85.50. Settlement, £386. Sales, 1,650 tons.

ZINC was very steady cash gaining £8 and three months £7.50.—Afternoon.—Cash, £343.50-44.00 a metric ton; three months, £353.50-54.00. Sales 1,850 tons. Morning.—Cash, £342.50-43.00; three months, £352.50-53.00. Settlement £343. Sales, 3,200 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was at £148.50 ($293) a troy ounce (new all-time high).

ALUMINIUM was quietly steady.—Afternoon.—Three months, £587.50-88.00 a metric ton. Sales, 450 tons. Morning.—Three months, £586.50-87.00. Sales, 600 tons.

RUBBER was uncertain (pence per kilo).—Nov 62.90-63.10; Dec 63.50-63.80; Jan-March 65.30-65.50; April-June 67.70-67.80; July-Sept 69.80-69.85; Oct-Dec 71.70-71.90; Jan-March 73.70-73.90; April-June 75.60-75.70; July-Sept 77.70-77.75. Sales: 7 lots at 5 tonnes; 474 at 15 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were quiet.—Spot, 62.25-63.50. Cifs, Nov, 62.75-63.00; Dec, 63.50-64.25.

COFFEE: Robustas were very steady: arabicas were dull. No 9.

ROBUSTAS (£ per metric ton): Nov, 1,590-93; Jan, 1,612-18; March, 1,433-34; May, 1,380-85; July, 1,340-45; Sept, 1,315-20; Nov, 1,293-99. Sales, 4,382 lots, including 24 options.

ARABICAS: All positions unquoted.

COCOA was very steady (£ per metric ton).—Dec, 1,977-78; March, 2,010-12; May, 2,019-20; July, 2,009-11; Sept, 1,970-80; Dec, 1,940-45; March, 1,905-20. Sales, 2,466 lots, including 7 options. ICCO prices: daily, 169.87c; 15-day average, 172.31c; 22-day average, 170.11 (US cents per lb).

SUGAR: The London daily price of "raws" was unchanged at £111; the "whites" price was £1 lower at £111.50. Futures were steady (£ per metric ton).—Dec, 115.60-15.85; March, 119.70-19.80; May, 122.10-22.35; Aug, 125.25-25.25; Oct, 127.75-28.00; Dec, 130.75-31.00; March, 134.25-34.50. Sales, 3,137 lots. ISA prices: 8.94c; 15-day average 8.36.

SOYABEAN MEAL was quiet (£ per metric ton).—Oct, 117.00-30.00; Dec, 117.70-17.80; Feb, 119.50-19.60; April, 120.50-21.00; June, 121.50-22.50; Aug, 121.00-24.00; Oct, 121.60-23.50. Sales, 225 lots.

WOOL: Greasy futures (pence per kilo).—Australian (quiet): Oct, 222-25; Dec, 228-31; March, 236-40; May, 238-41; July, 239-43; Oct, 238-40; Dec, 239-45; March 242-47. Sales: nil. New Zealand crossbreds (quiet): Dec, 187.5-90.0; March, 187.5-90.0; May, 190.5-95.0; July, 191-93; Oct, 192-94; Dec, 193.5-95.0; March, 191-95. Sales: nil.

JUTE was steady. Bangladesh white "C" grade, Oct-Nov, $502 per long ton. "D" grade, Oct-Nov, $486.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—**WHEAT**.—Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ per cent: Oct, £93.75 Tilbury sellers. US dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent: Oct, £84.75; Nov, £85.75; Dec, £87.50 trans-shipment east coast sellers. US hard winter, 13½ per cent: Oct, £85; Nov, £86 trans-shipment east coast sellers.

MAIZE.—No 3 yellow American/French: Oct, £102.75; Nov, £100; Dec, £101 trans-shipment east coast sellers. South African white: Oct-Nov, £61.50 Glasgow sellers. South African yellow: Oct-Nov, £61.50 Glasgow sellers.

BARLEY.—English feed fob: Oct, £79; Nov, £82.50 sellers. A per tonne cif UK unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). EEC origin.—

BARLEY was steady: Nov, £80.50; Jan, £83.25; March, £85.60; May, £88.10. Sales: 76 lots.

WHEAT was steady: Nov, £88.15; Jan, £90.85; March, £93.30; May, £95.75. Sales: 79 lots.

Home-Grown Cereal Authority.—Location ex-farm spot prices.—

	Other milling WHEAT	Feed WHEAT	Feed BARLEY
NE England	£87.70	£84.70	£74.80
Berks, Oxon	£86.50	£83.80	£74.20

Meat commission: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on October 3.—GB: Cattle, 66.41p per kg LW (−0.48). UK: Sheep, 133.6p per kg est DCW (+0.4). GB: Pigs, 65.2p per kg LW (+0.1). England and Wales: Cattle numbers down 2.8 per cent, average price 66.45p (−0.51). Sheep numbers down 13.5 per cent, average price 133.7p (+0.4). Pig numbers down 11.9 per cent, average price 65.4p (+0.3). Scotland: Cattle numbers down 9.6 per cent, average price 69.24p (−0.23). Sheep numbers up 30.1 per cent, average price 128.4p (+2.5). Pig numbers up 8.9 per cent, average price 65.9p (−0.1).

EGGS (The London Egg Exchange).—In home-produced the past week's trading lacked confidence, resulting in an easing of values on most sizes. Home-produced market prices (in £ per 120, based on trading packer/first-hand):

	Wed/Thurs/Fri	Mon/Tues
White 1's	3.80 to 4.50	3.80 to 4.20
2's	3.60 to 3.90	3.40 to 3.80
3's	3.10 to 3.40	3.00 to 3.30
4's	2.90 to 3.30	2.80 to 3.15
5's	2.10 to 2.30	2.00 to 2.20
6's	1.70 to 2.00	1.60 to 1.80
7's	1.35 to 1.50	1.20 to 1.40
Brown 1's	5.00 to 5.30	5.00 to 5.20
2's	4.45 to 4.65	4.40 to 4.60
3's	3.40 to 3.60	3.30 to 3.50
4's	3.20 to 3.50	3.00 to 3.25

All prices quoted are for bulk delivery in Keyes trays. The above range is a guide to general market conditions and is dependent upon location, quantity and whether delivered or not.

TEA.—The offering of 51,180 packages met a good demand at the weekly auction. North Indian teas attracted selective demand but the better quality invoices sold readily at attractive rates. African brokens and some dusts met strong competition and were often dearer. Medium quality fannings showed an easier tendency, particularly at the start of the sale, but the plainer offerings were firm to dearer. There were offerings of 8,338 packages of Sri Lankans and 460 south Indians, and for these there was a good and more general demand. Plainest and medium brokens were often dearer, while Bops and dust grades sold at firm rates. South Indians met an irregular demand and prices were generally lower with plain sorts neglected.

Discount market

The Bank of England was again required to assist the market yesterday after early indications were that credit would be sufficient to meet requirements. The scale of help was large, comprising purchases of a large quantity of Treasury Bills and small number of corporation bills directly from the houses.

Rates then fell away to between 4½ and 6 per cent for final balances. They had opened in the region of 8½-8¼ per cent, but the mood of the market was such that houses were clearly unwilling to pay up for money, preferring to sell paper to the authorities if the opportunity arose.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 10% (Last changed 9/6/78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 10%
Discount Mkt Loans %
Overnight: High 6½ Low 6½
Week Fixed: 5½-6½

Treasury Bills (Dis%)
Buying: 2 months 9; 3 months 9¼ — Selling: 2 months 9; 3 months 9⅛

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) / Trades (Dis%)
2 months 9⅝-9½ / 3 months 10¼
3 months 9⅝-9½ / 4 months 10¼
4 months 10-9⅞ / 6 months 10½
6 months 10-9⅞

Local Authority Bonds
1 month 9¾-9½ / 7 months 10¼-10⅛
2 months 9¾-9⅝ / 8 months 10¼-10⅛
3 months 9¾-9⅝ / 9 months 10⅜-10¼
4 months 10-9⅞ / 10 months 10½-10⅜
5 months 10¼-10⅛ / 11 months 10⅝-10½
6 months 10¼-10⅛ / 12 months 10⅝-10½

Secondary Mkt ECD Rates (%)
1 month 9⅝-9½ / 6 months 10¼-10⅛
3 months 9⅝-9½ / 12 months 10⅝-10½

Local Authority Market (%)
2 days 9½ / 3 months 9⅝
7 days 9⅝ / 6 months 10¼
1 month 9⅝ / 1 year 10¾

Interbank Market (%)
Overnight: Open 8½-6½ Close 5
1 week 9⅝-9½ / 6 months 10⅛-10
1 month 9⅝-9½ / 9 months 10⅜-10¼
3 months 10-9⅞ / 12 months 10⅝-10½

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate %)
3 months 10⅛ / 6 months 10⅜

Finance House Base Rate 9½%

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	10%
Barclays Bank	10%
BCCI Bank	10%
Consolidated Crdts	10%
C. Hoare & Co	*10%
Lloyds Bank	10%
London Mercantile	10%
Midland Bank	10%
Nat Westminster	10%
Rossminster	10%
TSB	10%
Williams and Glyn's	10%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 6½%, up to £25,000, 7¼%, over £25,000, 7¾%.

THE NEW THROGMORTON TRUST LIMITED

Capital Loan Stock Valuation 3rd October, 1978.
The net asset value per £1 of Capital Loan Stock is 187.81p.
Securities valued at middle-Market prices.

Wall Street

New York, Oct 3.—The New York stock market closed lower today, giving up a small early gain as the dollar fell against foreign currencies.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 3.46 points to 867.90. It was ahead almost two points at its high for the session.

About 825 issues declined with some 635 higher. Volume was 22,630,000 shares compared with 18,700,000 shares Monday.

The dollar hit a record low against the Deutsche mark on increased conviction that a substantial revaluation of the mark is in the offing. The dollar fell against the Swiss franc also.

Silver advances 6.20c

New York, Oct 3.—COMEX SILVER futures traded at the year's highest levels with the pacesetting December contract reaching 587.90 cents, eclipsing the previous 1978 peak by 0.20 cents. Closing gains exceeded 6.20 cents.—Oct, 579.40c; Nov, 583.40c; Dec, 587.50c; Jan, 591.60c; March, 600.10c; May, 608.80c; July, 617.90c; Sept, 627.10c; Dec, 641.40c; Jan, 645.10c; March, 655.60c; May, 665.30c; July, 675.10c.

GOLD futures were: NY COMEX: Oct, $225.50; Nov, $224.70; Dec, $226.40; Feb, $230.00; April, $233.70; June, $237.40; Aug, $241.10; Oct, $244.70; Dec, $248.70; Feb, $252.60; April, $256.60; June, $260.70; Aug, $264.80. CHICAGO IMM: Dec, $226.30-226.70; March, $231.90-232.00; June, $237.50; Sept, $243.50 bid; Dec, $249.00; March, $254.70; June, $259.90.

COPPER futures closed barely steady between 5 and 15 points down. Oct, 66.50c; Nov, 67.10c; Dec, 67.70c; Jan, 68.20c; March, 69.20c; May, 70.25c; July, 71.20c; Sept, 72.10c; Dec, 73.35c; Jan, 73.75c; March, 74.50c; May, 75.25c; July, 76.00c.

SUGAR futures in No 11 contract were: Jan, 9.36-44c; March, 9.49-50c; May, 9.65-67c; July, 9.78c; Sept, 9.93-94c; Oct, 9.99-10.02c; Jan, 9.60-10.2c; March, 10.10-0.4c.

COTTON futures were: Oct, 65.75-5.90c; Dec, 66.10-15c; March, 68.50-55c; May, 69.90-95c; July, 69.85-60c; Oct, 66.20-30c; Dec, 66.25c; March, 66.85-7.0c.

COFFEE futures in "C" contract were: Dec, 153.70-95c; March, 144.25-37c; May, 138.60c; July, 135.00c; Sept, 134.00-25c; Dec, 129.80-51c; March, 126.00-33.0c.

COCOA futures finished off 0.25 cent to up 0.10 cent. Dec, 167.20c; March, 166.95c; May, 166.25c; July, 164.20c; Sept, 162.20c; Dec, 158.15c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS: Oil futures gained 0.54 to 0.36 cent a lb. Meal ended with a $0.50 gain in the October but losses of $0.30 to $1.10 a ton in other months.—SOYABEANS: Nov, 664-5c; Jan, 672-1c; March, 679-80c; May, 682½c; July, 683-4c; Aug, 675-5½c; Sept, 660c; Nov, 655c.

SOYABEAN OIL: Oct, 25.90-95c; Dec, 25.40-45c; Jan, 25.15c; March, 24.80-90c; May, 24.70-65c; July, 24.40-45c; Aug, 24.10c; Sept, 23.70-90c.

SOYABEAN MEAL: Oct, $174.30-4.50; Dec, $177.30-10; Jan, $178.60-70; March, $179.70; May, $180.50-80; July, $181.50; Aug, $18.50.

CHICAGO GRAINS: WHEAT.—Dec, 346¼-½c; March, 341¼-½c; May, 336¼-½c; July, 322¼-3c; Sept, 326¼; Dec, 332c. CORN.—Dec, 228¼-¼c; March, 238-8¼c; May, 244½-¼c; July, 248¼c; Sept, 250¼c; Dec, 253¼c. OATS.—Dec, 145¼c; March, 153¼-¼c; May, 156¼c; July, 154½c asked.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, 1.9745 (1.9680); three months, 1.9580 (1.9677); Canadian dollar 84.33 (83.87).

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 867.90 (871.36); transportation 244.40 (244.74); utilities, 105.95 (106.92); 65 stocks, 300.87 (301.63). New York Stock Exchange index, 57.80 (57.98); industrials, 63.23 (63.46); transportation, 48.79 (48.94); utilities, 39.89 (39.98); financial, 62.33 (62.25).

	Oct 3	Oct 2
Allied Chem	35	35¼
Allied Stores	26	26¼
Allied Supermkt	2⅝	2⅝
Allis Chalmers	35⅝	36¼
Alcoa	46	46¼
Amax Inc	47½	47⅞
Amerada Hess	31½	31⅝
Am Airlines	16¼	16⅝
Am Brands	50	50¼
Am Broadcast	55	56
Am Can	38⅝	38⅞
Am Cyanamid	29⅞	30⅛
Am Elec Power	23⅞	23⅞
Am Home	29⅛	29¼
Am Motors	6⅞	6⅞
Am Nat Res	45⅞	45⅞
Am Standard	50	49⅞
Am Telephone	62⅜	62⅜
AMF Inc	20½	20⅜
Armco Steel	22	21½
Asarco	15½	15¾
Ashland Oil	46½	46
Atlantic Richfield	54⅝	53½
Avco	30⅞	31
Avon Products	54⅞	55⅛
Babcock & Wcox	59⅞	59⅝
Bankers Tst NY	36⅛	36
Bank of America	27⅜	27⅜
Bank of NY	35⅜	35⅜
Beatrice Foods	26⅛	26⅜
Bell & Howell	20½	20⅞
Bendix	38⅜	38⅝
Bethlehem Steel	23⅞	24
Boeing	63⅞	63⅞
Boise Cascade	31⅛	30⅞
Borden	28⅞	28⅞
Borg Warner	32⅞	32⅞
Bristol Myers	33⅞	34
BP	17⅜	17½
Burlington Ind	19½	19⅞
Burlington Nthn	43½	43⅞
Burroughs	76⅞	77⅞
Campbell Soup	34⅞	34⅞
Canadian Pacific	20	20⅛
Caterpillar	57⅜	58⅜
Celanese	43	43⅞
Central Soya	14½	14½
Charter NY	33⅞	33⅞
Chase Manhat	35	34⅞
Chem Bank NY	42	41⅞
Chesapeake Ohio	30	30
Chrysler	11½	11⅞
Citicorp	28⅝	28⅝
Cities Service	58⅜	58⅜
Clark Equip	37⅞	38
Coca Cola	44⅞	44⅞
Colgate	20⅞	20⅞
CBS	55⅜	55⅜
Columbia Gas	27⅞	28
Combustion Eng	38⅜	38
Comwlth Edison	28⅜	28⅜
Cons Edison	24⅛	24½
Cons Foods	24⅞	24⅞
Cons Power	24⅛	24⅛
Continental Grp	30⅞	30⅞
Continental Oil	30½	29⅞
Control Data	37	38
Corning Glass	58⅞	59½
CPC Intnl	49½	48
Crane	33⅛	33⅞
Crocker Int	34⅞	34⅞
Crown Zeller	34⅞	34⅞
Dart Ind	42⅛	43⅜
Deere	35⅜	35⅜
Del Monte	43⅞	43⅞
Delta Air	47½	48
Detroit Edison	15⅜	15⅜
Disney	41⅞	42⅞
Dow Chemical	28⅜	28⅜
Dresser Ind	42½	42⅞
Duke Power	19⅞	19⅞
Du Pont	129½	130½
Eastern Air	12⅞	12⅞
Eastman Kodak	60⅞	61⅞
Eaton Corp	40⅞	40⅞
El Paso Nat Gas	17½	17⅝
Equitable Life	21⅞	21⅞
Esmark	28⅞	28⅞
Evans P. D.	21⅞	21⅞
Exxon Corp	52⅞	52⅞
Fed Dept Stores	34⅞	34⅞
Firestone	12⅞	13
Fst Chicago	24½	24
Fst Nat Boston	30⅞	30⅞
Fst Penn Corp	15⅜	15⅜
Ford	44⅞	45⅞
GAF Corp	13⅞	14⅛
Gamble Skogmo	33½	33⅞
Gen Dynamics	82⅞	83
Gen Electric	53⅞	53⅞
Gen Foods	33½	33⅞
Gen Mills	30⅞	30⅞
Gen Motors	62⅞	63⅞
Gen Pub Util NY	18⅞	18⅞
Gen Tel Elec	30½	30⅞
Gen Tire	28⅞	28⅞
Genesco	5⅞	6
Georgia Pacific	29⅞	29⅞
Getty Oil	41⅞	41⅞
Gillette	31⅞	31⅞
Goodrich	20⅞	20½
Goodyear	17½	17⅞
Gould Inc	31⅞	31⅞
Grace	29⅞	30⅞
Gt Atlc & Pacific	7⅛	7⅞
Greyhound	13⅜	13⅞
Grumman Corp	19½	19⅞
Gulf Oil	25½	25⅞
Gulf & West	14⅞	15
Heinz H. J.	43⅞	42⅞
Hercules	16⅞	16⅞
Honeywell	64⅞	65
IC Inds	29⅞	29
Ingersoll	59⅞	59⅞
Inland Steel	38⅞	38⅞
IBM	276¾	280⅛
Int Harvester	39⅞	40⅞
INCO	17½	17⅞
Int Paper	44⅞	45
Int Tel Tel	31½	31⅞
Jewel Co	23⅞	23⅞
Jim Walter	32	32
Johns-Manville	32⅞	32⅞
Johnson & John	83⅞	83⅞
Kaiser Alumin	36⅞	36⅞
Kennecott	27⅞	27⅞
Kerr McGee	48⅞	45⅞
Kimberly Clark	45⅞	45⅞
Krafton Corp	47⅞	47⅞
K Mart	27⅞	27⅞
Kroger	34	34⅞
Ligget Group	33⅞	34⅞
L.T.V. Corp	9⅞	10⅛
Litton	25⅞	25⅞
Lockheed	28⅞	28⅞
Lucky Stores	16⅞	16⅞
Manuf Hanover	38⅞	38⅞
Mapco	33⅞	33⅞
Marathon Oil	51⅞	52⅞
Marine Midland	16⅞	16⅞
Martin Marietta	32⅞	32⅞
McDonnell	31⅞	31⅞
Mead	30½	30⅞
Memorex	48⅞	48⅞
Merck	59⅞	60⅞
Minnesota Mng	58⅞	58⅞
Mobil Oil	71⅞	71⅞
Monsanto	57⅞	57⅞
Morgan J. P.	47⅞	47⅞
Motorola	45⅞	45⅞
NCR Corp	60⅞	60⅞
NL Industries	20⅞	20½
Nabisco	27⅞	27⅞
Nat Distillers	21⅞	21⅞
Nat Steel	31	31⅛
Norfolk West	28⅞	28⅞
NW Bancorp	26⅞	26⅞
Norton Simon	19⅞	19⅞
Occidental Pet	19⅞	20
Ogden	31⅞	31⅞
Olin Corp	17⅞	17⅞
Owens-Illinois	22	22⅞
Pacific Gas Elec	23⅞	23⅞
Pan Am	9	9⅛
Penney J. C.	36⅞	36⅞
Pennzoil	31⅞	31⅞
Pepsico	29⅞	29⅞
Pet Inc	54⅞	54⅞
Pfizer	35½	35⅞
Phelps Dodge	24⅞	24⅞
Philip Morris	70⅞	70⅞
Phillips Petrol	34⅞	34⅞
Polaroid	49½	48⅞
PPG Ind	29½	29⅞
Proctor Gamble	86⅞	86⅞
Pub Ser El & Gas	23⅞	23⅞
Pullman	45⅞	45⅞
Rapid American	14⅞	14⅞
Raytheon	47½	47½
RCA Corp	29⅞	30⅛
Republic Steel	26½	26½
Reynolds Ind	61⅞	62⅞
Reynolds Metal	35⅞	36
Rockwell Int	36⅞	36⅞
Royal Dutch	65⅞	64⅞
Safeways	43⅞	43⅞
St Regis Paper	31⅞	31⅞
Santa Fe Ind	34⅞	34⅞
SCM	22	22
Schlumberger	90⅞	90⅞
Scott Paper	16⅞	16⅞
Seaboard Coast	33	33⅞
Seagram	27⅞	27⅞
Sears Roebuck	22⅞	22⅞
Shell Oil	36⅞	36⅞
Shell Trans	44⅞	44⅞
Signal Co	51⅞	51⅞
Singer	19½	19
Sony	7⅞	7⅞
Sth Cal Edison	25⅞	25⅞
Southern Pacific	31	30⅞
Southern Rly	55	56
Sperry Rand	43⅞	44
Std Brands	26⅞	26⅞
Std Oil Califnia	47	47
Std Oil Indiana	53⅞	53⅞
Std Oil Ohio	37½	37⅞
Sterling Drug	18⅞	18
Stevens J. P.	16⅞	16⅞
Stude Worth	60	60⅞
Sunbeam Corp	21⅞	21⅞
Sun Comp	44⅞	44⅞
Teledyne	100	101½
Tenneco	31⅞	31⅞
Texaco	24⅞	24⅞
Texas East Corp	38⅞	39⅞
Texas Inst	88½	89
Texas Utilities	20	20⅞
Textron	30⅞	30⅞
TWA	24⅞	24⅞
Travelers Corp	37⅞	37⅞
TRW Inc	38⅞	38⅞
UAL Inc	37⅞	37⅞
Unilever Ltd	46	46
Unilever NV	61⅞	60⅞
Union Bancorp	28⅞	28⅞
Union Carbide	38⅞	39⅞
Union Oil Calif	56⅞	56⅞e
Un Pacific Corp	54⅞	54⅞
Uniroyal	7⅞	7⅞
United Brands	13⅞	13⅞
US Industries	8⅞	8⅞
US Steel	26⅞	26⅞
Utd Technol	43⅞	43⅞
Wachovia	19	19⅞
Warner Lambert	27⅞	27⅞
Wells Fargo	29½	29⅞
West'n Bancorp	28⅞	27⅞p
Westnghse Elec	21⅞	22⅞
Weyerhauser	28⅞	28⅞
Whirlpool	24⅞	24⅞
White Motor	12⅞	13⅞
Woolworth	21⅞	21⅞
Xerox Corp	55⅞	56⅞
Zenith	16½	16½

Canadian Prices

	Oct 3	Oct 2
Abitibi	18⅞	19½
Alcan Alumin	38½	39⅞
Algoma Steel	25⅞	24⅞
Bell Telephone	62⅞	62⅞
Cominco	33⅞	33⅞
Cons Bathurst	36⅞	36⅞
Falconbridge	33⅞	32⅞
Gulf Oil	33⅞	33⅞
Hawker Sid Can	9.75	8.75
Hudson Bay Min	21	20⅞
Hudson Bay Oil	43	43
Imasco	36⅞	36⅞
Imperial Oil	23⅞	23⅞
Int Pipe	17	17
Mass.-Fergsn	13⅞	13
Royal Trust	19⅞	19⅞
Seagram	26⅞	26⅞
Steel Co	29⅞	29⅞
Talcorp	11	11
Thomson N 'A'	15	15
Walker Hiram	37	37
WCT	11⅞	11⅞

*Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

	Bid	Offer
US STRAIGHTS ($)		
Australia 8 1983	97	97½
Austria 8½ 1990	99¼	99¾
Avco 9¼ 1985	99	99½
Barclays 8½ 1983	95¾	95¾
Beatrice 7½ 1983	96	96½
Canadair 8½ 1983	97	97½
Canada Nat Railway 8½ 1986	95½	96
CECA 9 1993	99½	100
Charbonnage de France 8½ 1981	98	98½
Citicorp 6½ 1980	95¾	95¾
Citicorp 7 1981	94½	95
DFC New Zealand 8½ 1983	96¼	96¾
DFC New Zealand 8½ 1985	95½	96¼
Dow Chemical 8 1986	94½	95
EEC 7½ 1979	98	98½
EEC 8½ 1982	97¼	97¾
EIB 8 1984	95½	96
EIB 9¼ 1993	98½	99¼
Elf-Aquitaine 8½ 1985	94½	95½
Eurofima 8½ 1988	95½	96¼
IC Industries 9 1985	98½	99
ITEL 9¼ 1988	99	99½
IU 8½ 1987	95¼	95¾
MacMillan Bloedel 9¼ 1993	98	98½
Midland Bank 8¾ 1992	96¾	97¼
NCB 8 1987	99¼	99¾
National Westminster 9 1986	107¼	107¾
New Zealand Forest Products 9 1986	98¾	99¼
Newfoundland 9½ 1990	99¼	99¾
Nordic Invest Bank 8½ 1988	97¼	97¾
Norsk Hydro 7½ 1982	95½	95¾
Norway 7½ 1983	95¾	96
Offshore Mining 8½ 1985	95½	96
Occidental 8½ 1983	96	96½
J. C. Penney 8½ 1983	98¾	99¼
Quebec Hydro 9½ 1993	99½	100
Renault 8½ 1981	98¼	98¾
R. J. Reynolds 7½ 1983	96½	97
Shell 8½ 1990	95½	95¾
Tauernautobahn 8½ 1987	97	97½
CANADIAN DOLLARS		
Avco 9½ 1983	97½	97¾
Ford 8½ 1984	95¾	96¼
General Motors 9¾ 1988	97¼	97¾
Royal Bank of Canada 9 1993	98	98½
Union Carbide 9½ 1986	98¼	98¾
FLOATING RATE NOTES		
Chase Manhattan 9 15/16 1993	97½	98½
Intl Westminster 8 1984	99¼	99¾
Midland 9 7/16 1993	98½	98¾
Offshore Mining 9 7/16		
Williams & Glyns 9⅞ 1986	98¾	99¼
US $ CONVERTIBLES		
American Express 4¾ '87	82	83½
Babcock & Wilcox 7 '92	103	104
Beatrice Foods 4½ 1992	99	100½
Beatrice Foods 4½ 1992	114½	116
Beecham 6½ 1992	114½	115½
Boots 6½ 1993	98¼	99¼
Borden 5 1992	97	98½
Broadway Hale 4½ 1987	74	75½
Carnation 5 1988	76	77½
Dart 4¾ 1987	82½	84
Eastman Kodak 4½ 1988	86	87½
Economic Labs 4½ 1987	80½	82
Firestone 5 1988	74½	76
Ford 5 1988	84	85½
General Electric 4¼ 1987	85½	87
Gillette 4¾ 1987	76½	78
Gulf & Western 5 1988	87½	89
Harris 5 1992	223	234
Honeywell 6 1986	86½	88
ICI 6¾ 1992	96	97
INI 6 1997	99	100½
Inchap 6¾ 1992	114	115½
ITT 4½ 1987	87½	89
Jusco 6 1992	147½	148½
Komatsu 7½ 1990	156	157
J. Ray McDermott 4¾ 1987	158½	160½
Nabisco 5½ 1988	106	107½
Owens Illinois 4½ 1987	116½	118
J. C. Penney 4½ 1987	74½	76
Revlon 4¾ 1987	133	134½
Reynolds Metal 5 1988	86½	88
Sperry Rand 4¼ 1987	97	98½
Squibb 4½ 1987	81	82½
Texaco 4½ 1988	75½	77
Texas Int. Airlines 7½ 1993	98½	99½
Toshiba 6½ 1992	138	139
Tyco 8½ 1988	104½	105½
Union Carbide 4½ 1982	87½	89
Warner Lambert 4½ 1987	82	83½
Warner Lambert 4½ 1988	75	76½
Xerox 5 1988	76	77½

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited.

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E
74	29	Airsprung Ord	71xd	—	5.5	7.7	9.3
203	106	Airsprung 18% ULS	190	—	18.5	9.7	—
46	25	Armitage & Rhodes	43xd	—	3.6	8.3	7.8
180	105	Bardon Hill	177	—	12.0	6.7	9.6
143	51	Deborah Ord	139xd	—	5.6	4.0	8.6
240	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	240	—	17.5	7.2	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	131	—	12.4	9.4	5.2
154	135	George Blair	154	—	15.0	9.7	5.7
59	36	Jackson Group	59	—	5.0	8.4	6.9
116	55	James Burrough	115	—	6.5	5.7	10.6
340	188	Robert Jenkins	310	—	29.7	9.6	5.1
24	9	Twinlock Ord	22	—	—	—	19.6
82	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	82	—	12.0	14.6	—
90	54	Unilock Holdings	90	—	7.4	8.2	9.7
122	67	Walter Alexander	122	—	7.2	5.9	7.5

FLAG INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED

INTERIM STATEMENT

Flag Investment Company Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Anglo-Continental Investment & Finance Company Limited, announces the following interim unaudited results for the six months ended 31st December, 1977.

	6 months ended 31 December 1977 £	6 months ended 31 December 1976 £
Gross Revenue	201,132	381,619
Profit before Taxation	96,132	276,619
Taxation	49,989	143,275
Profit after Taxation	46,143	133,344
Earnings per 25p Ordinary share:	0.50p	1.44p

The Directors recommend the payment of an interim dividend at the rate of 0.5p per share, without the benefit of any imputed tax credit.
For the year ended 30th June, 1977, a first interim dividend was paid at the rate of 1.3p per share which, with the benefit of imputed tax credit was equivalent to 2.0p gross.

	31 December 1977	31 December 1976
Net Asset Value per share	79.78p	84.24p

Foreign Exchange

Another slide in the dollar brought a return to thin nervous trading conditions on foreign exchange markets yesterday. Sparked off by a none-too-encouraging statement on United States inflation prospects by the Federal chairman in New York the dollar staged a late broad retreat against major currencies.

It fell to a new low against the Deutschmark at 1.9115 compared with 1.9325 overnight. The Swiss franc too moved sharply higher, closing at 1.5730 (1.5925). Other currencies to appreciate at the dollar's expense included the yen at 187.40 (188.80).

Sterling after plumbing $1.9640 at the outset staged a technical rally in line with the dollar's decline, although sentiment was helped a little by the strong tenor of the Prime Minister's speech at the Blackpool conference. Higher reserve figures during September also helped. The rate against the dollar closed 20 points higher at $1.9735 but significantly the trade weighted index reflected the strength of Deutschmarks in Europe easing to 62.5 from 62.7 overnight.

Gold gained $4.50 an ounce to close in London at $222.125.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) Oct 3	Market rates (close) Oct 3
New York	$1.9640-9750	$1.9730-9740
Montreal	$2.3410-3565	$2.3470-3490
Amsterdam	4.09-12½fl	4.09½-10½fl
Brussels	59.50/85f	59.50-80f
Copenhagen	10.49-53k	10.51-52k
Frankfurt	3.77-80½m	3.77½-78½m
Lisbon	88.90-89.55e	89.15-45e
Madrid	141.00-60p	141.40-50p
Milan	1614½-21½lr	1620-21lr
Oslo	10.02½-07k	10.02-04k
Paris	8.50-54f	8.50½-51½f
Stockholm	8.60-65½k	8.63½-64½k
Tokyo	368-75y	370½-71½y
Vienna	27.30/60sch	27.30-40sch
Zurich	3.10-14f	3.10-11f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, was down 0.2 at 62.5.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.62-.52c prem	1.77-1.67c prem
Montreal	.70-.60c prem	2.15-2.00c prem
Amsterdam	⅞c prem-⅞c disc	3-2c prem
Brussels	15-05c prem	52-42c prem
Copenhagen	par-2ore disc	⅛-2¼ore disc
Frankfurt	3⅛-2⅛pf prem	8⅞-8⅛pf prem
Lisbon	50-150c disc	175-400c disc
Madrid	25-125c disc	150-250c disc
Milan	1-3lr disc	2-4lr disc
Oslo	2¼-4ore prem	4½-3⅛ore prem
Paris	3¼-2¼c prem	8¼-7¼c prem
Stockholm	3-1ore prem	8½-6½ore prem
Vienna	18-8gro prem	43-33gro prem
Zurich	3¼-2¼c prem	10¼-8¼c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $0.8482-86.

Euro-$ Deposits

(%) calls, 8¼-9; seven days, 8⅞-9⅛; one month, 9⅛-9⅜; three months, 9⅝-9⅞; six months, 9¾-10.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $218.80 (an ounce); pm, $221.40.

Krugerrand (per coin): non-resident, $118-230 (£115½-116½); resident, $227-229 (£115-116).

Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $60-62 (£30½-31½); resident, $62-64 (£31½-32½).

Recent Issues

	Closing Price
Audiotronic 12% Cum Pfd (10)	13½
Bramall C.D. 25p Ord (75)	85
Camden 12½% Red 1985 (£100d)	£90
Cartiers Superfoods 20p Ord (50)	84+1
Dufay 10¼% Cnv	½ prem−½
Hunting Petroleum Serv 25p Ord (80)	90
Jones (Ernest) 10p Ord (115)	157−1
Southwark 12½% 1987 (£99⅞a)	£9½ prem

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renun	Closing Price
Barlow Rand (R390‡)	Oct 13	8 prem
Change Wares (12‡)	Nov 30	3½ prem+½
C F Des Petroles (F1103‡)		20 prem
Dalgety (265‡)	Nov 17	33 prem−2
Howden Gp (84)	Nov 10	21 prem+2
Lon and Midland (85)	Oct 27	12 prem
Reliance Knit (42)	Oct 6	5½ prem
Wearwell (25)	Nov 6	10½ prem

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a £10 paid. b £30 paid. c £15 paid. d £50 paid. e £25 paid. f Fully paid. g £55 paid.

GURSAAL COMPANY

Company, owners of the Dragonara Palace Hotel and Casino, Malta, has made a good start to the current year's trading, according to Mr Eric MacAdie, chairman. First four months of current trading year to end-September, he said, were in excess of corresponding period a year ago.

PARK PLACE INVESTMENTS

Turnover for year to June 30, £2m (£1.4m). Pre-tax profit, £430,000 (£219,000). Earnings per share were 6.1p (3.2p). Final dividend it 1.20p gross (1.11p gross) making 1.66p gross (1.49p).

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Authorized Unit Trusts

1977/78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Abbey Unit Trust Managers, 72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296-5941			
37.2	24.2	Abbey Capital	35.4	37.7	4.24
50.4	35.1	Abbey General	47.6	50.6e	4.10
44.3	29.8	Do Income	42.1	45.0	5.74
40.7	27.6	Do Invest	38.1	40.5	4.14
73.9	50.7	Equitas Prog	69.1	73.6	3.91
		Allied Trust Managers Ltd, Durrant Hse, Chiswell St, EC2Y 4TT. 01-588 6371			
50.9	37.4	Albro Trust (3)	48.3	51.2	3.56
73.7	47.9	Do Inc (3)	73.3	77.1	6.64
		Allied Hambro Group, Hambro Hse, Hutton, Essex. 01-588 2851			
79.6	53.6	Allied Capital	73.7	78.9e	4.31
72.4	50.8	Do 1st	68.6	73.4	5.32
77.0	48.5	Brit Inds	66.4	71.0	5.21
41.4	27.8	Growth & Inc	39.3	42.3	4.96
38.2	24.0	Elec & Ind Dev	36.5	39.0	4.54
45.4	32.4	Met Min & Cmdty	42.7	45.7	5.02
71.5	45.4	High Income	68.5	73.5e	6.75
42.6	28.2	Equity Income	40.5	43.6e	6.68
30.0	22.4	International	27.5	29.4	2.71
76.5	44.0	HighYieldFnd	73.8	79.0e	7.91
117.1	79.1	Hambro Fnd	111.1	118.8	4.50
103.6	82.4	Do Recovery	99.5	106.5	4.84
41.5	17.3	Do Smaller	40.4	43.3	4.74
134.2	88.7	Do Accum	126.6	135.1	4.35
50.1	24.3	2nd Smaller	48.6	52.1e	4.81
60.1	45.5	Secs of America	55.9	59.8	1.96
51.6	37.0	Pacific Fnd	48.2	51.6	1.94
63.9	45.9	Overseas Fnd	60.8	65.1	4.74
253.8	158.3	Exempt Smaller	243.3	256.1e	4.59

[illegible — remainder of the Authorized Unit Trusts, Insurance Bonds and Funds, and Offshore and International Funds listings]

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Stock Exchange Prices

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ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, Oct 2. Dealings End, Oct 13. § Contango Day, Oct 16. Settlement Day, Oct 24

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

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BRITISH FUNDS

Stock		Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
Treas 11½% 1979		101¼	-1/16	11.372	8.716
Treas 3% 1979		93½	-1/16	3.127	7.497
Elec 4½% 1974-79		96½	-1/16	4.384	7.560
Treas 10½% 1979		100¾		10.421	9.786
Elec 3½% 1976-79		95¾	..	3.663	7.720
Treas Cnv 9% 1980		98¾	-1/16	9.143	10.235
Treas 9½% 1980		99¾	-1/16	9.663	10.637
Treas 3% 1977-80		93¼		3.229	7.410
Fund 5½% 1978-80		94⅝		5.548	8.735
Exch 13% 1980		105½		12.663	11.568
Treas 11½% 1981		[illegible]		11.237	11.615
Treas 3½% 1979-81		93⅜		3.605	8.421
Treas 9¾% 1981		[illegible]		10.109	11.441
Exch 8¼% 1981		[illegible]		8.877	11.344
Exch 9¾% 1981		94¾		10.006	11.633
Exch 3% 1981		86¾		3.473	8.458
Exch 12¾% 1981		102½		12.494	11.564
Treas 8½% 1980-82		92⅞		9.209	11.347
Treas 3% 1982		84⅝		3.537	8.236
Treas 14% 1982		106		13.207	11.441
Treas 8¾% 1982		96⅝		9.161	11.261
Exch 9¾% 1982		92		10.054	11.834
Exch 9% 1983		90		9.723	11.789
Exch 3% 1983		81⅝		3.661	7.990
Treas 12% 1983		100⅝		11.904	11.770
Treas 9½% 1983		90⅞		10.200	11.846
Fund 5½% 1982-84		82¾		6.737	10.057
Treas 8¾% 1984-86		86⅜		9.816	11.117
Fund 6½% 1985-87		77¼		8.375	10.540
Treas 7¾% 1985-88		81¾		9.688	11.264
Trans 3% 1978-88		63¾		4.764	8.722
Treas 5% 1986-89		65¾		7.662	10.357
Treas 13% 1990		105¾		12.641	12.509
Treas 8¼% 1987-90		81¾		10.496	11.642
Treas 11¾% 1991		[illegible]		12.425	12.588
Fund 5¾% 1987-91		64¾		8.831	11.084
Treas 12¾% 1992		102¾		12.749	12.733
Treas 10% 1992		85¼		11.813	12.366
Exch 12½% 1992		98¾		12.630	12.710
Treas 12½% 1993		101		12.740	12.777
Fund 6% 1993		61½		9.909	11.497
Treas 13¾% 1993		110¾		13.043	12.852
Treas 14½% 1994		111¾		13.136	12.930
Exch 12½% 1994		96¾		12.789	12.829
Treas 9% 1994		75¼		11.991	12.791
Treas 12% 1995		97¾		12.560	12.754
Gas 3% 1990-95		44¾		6.709	9.937
Exch 10¼% 1995		85¾		12.156	12.635
Treas 12¾% 1995		104½		12.814	12.810
Treas 9% 1992-96		77¾		11.664	12.196
Treas 15¼% 1996		114		13.258	13.041
Exch 13¼% 1996		107¾		12.919	12.874
Redmptn 3% 1986-96		43¾		6.962	9.655
Treas 13¼% 1997		105¾		12.907	12.854
Exch 10½% 1997		86¾		12.379	12.632
Treas 8¾% 1997		73¼		11.735	12.245
Treas 6¾% 1995-98		60¾		11.089	11.679
Treas 15½% 1998		117¼		13.244	13.077
Exch 12% 1998		95¾		12.735	12.801
Treas 9½% 1999		80¾		12.063	12.375
Treas 10½% 1999		85¾		12.464	12.662
Exch 12¼% 1999-02		95		12.789	12.839
Fund 3½% 1999-04		36¾		9.504	11.112
Treas 8% 2002-06		66¾		11.957	12.216
Treas 5½% 2008-12		46¾		11.828	12.089
Treas 7¾% 2012-15		65¾		12.192	12.263
Exch 12% 2013-17		97¾		12.724	12.731
Consols 4%		32¾		12.484	..
War Ln 3½%		31¾		11.506	..
Conv 3½%		34¾		10.120	..
Treas 3%		23¾		12.766	..
Consols 2½%		20¾		12.344	..
Treas 2½% Aft 75		19¾		12.757	..

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

Stock		Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
Aust 5½% 77-80		94¾	..	5.955	11.402
Aust 5½% 81-82		84¾	..	6.712	11.978
Aust 6% 81-83		80¼	..	7.675	11.736
Aust 7% 79-81		87¼	..	8.018	12.287
Chilean Mixed		90	..	..	..
E Africa 5½% 77-83		75½	..	7.825	13.364
German 4½% 1930		400	..	..	..
Hungary 4½% 1924		49	..	..	..
Ireland 7½% 81-83		88¾	..	..	..
Jamaica 7½% 77-79		93½	..	8.029	12.507
Japan Ass 4% 1910		290	..	..	..
Japan 6% 83-88		60	-2	..	..
Kenya 5% 78-82		76½	..	6.447	13.496
Malaya 7½% 78-82		86	..	8.633	12.560
N Z 6% 76-80		92¾	..	6.476	11.938
N Z 7½% 88-92		65¾	..	11.356	12.935
N Z 7½% 83-86		81¾	..	9.438	11.601
N Rhd 6% 78-81		89	..	6.846	12.340
Nyasa 6% 78-81		88¾	..	6.866	12.480
Peru 6% Ass		145	..	..	..
S Africa 9½% 79-81		89¾	..	..	..
S Rhd 2½% 65-70		49	..	..	..
S Rhd 4½% 87-92		37	..	..	..
S Rhd 6% 78-81		75	..	..	..
Spanish 4%		51	..	..	..
Tang 5½% 78-82		80	..	7.236	13.463
Uruguay 3½%		59½	..	..	..

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Stock		Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
L C C 5% 1920		23	-¼	13.397	..
L C C 5½% 80-83		78½	..	6.289	10.869
L C C 5½% 77-81		87¾	..	6.298	10.830
L C C 5½% 82-84		80	..	6.984	10.464
L C C 5½% 85-87		70		8.060	11.324
L C C 6% 76-79		96¾	..	6.234	10.450
G L C 6½% 88-90		65		10.331	12.178
G L C 9½% 80-82		96		10.414	12.494
G L C 9½% 80-82		91½		10.411	12.311
G L C 12½% 1982		100½		12.438	12.286
G L C 12½% 1983		100¾		12.468	12.403
C of L 6% 80-82		84½		7.111	11.751
Ag Mt 7% 81-84		82		8.506	12.204
Ag Mt 7½% 91-93		66		11.408	13.013
Ag Mt 6½% 85-90		65½		10.538	12.765
Belfast 6½% 77-80		89¾		7.242	12.204
Brighton 6½% 76-79		97¼		6.649	10.753
Camden 6½% 77-79		94½		6.899	10.036
Croydon 6½% 78-81		86¾		7.528	12.143
Edin 6½% 77-79		94¾		6.862	9.846
Glasgow 9½% 80-82		91¾		10.137	13.010
Liverpl 13½% 1981		101		13.107	12.176
Met Water B 34-03		27½		11.014	12.745
N I 6½% 79-80		92½		7.029	13.137
N I 7% 82-84		77¼		9.393	13.418
N I Elec 6½% 81-83		80½		8.074	12.362
Sthend 5½% 77-79		96		5.354	11.385
Swark 6½% 83-86		74¼		8.833	11.491
Surrey 6½% 78-80		93		6.449	11.331

Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
Investment Dollar Premium 85¼% (85¾%)					
Premium Conversion Factor 0.7249.					

FOREIGN STOCKS

Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
Bayer	122¾	-¾	138	3.0	22.3
Commerzbank	£16¾	-¼	45.0	2.7	18.2
Cp Fn Paris	£34½	-¼	156	4.5	11.2
EBES	£30	-1	301	8.0	..
Ericsson	£30	-¼	50.1	3.0	25.5
Finsider	17	..	..	..	..
Granges	£14¼	-¼	..	..	..
Hoechst	520	+5	35.8	3.0	16.8
Montecatini E	24	..	..	..	..
Robeco Fl 5	301	-1	29.9	5.1	33.7
Rolinco Subs Fl 5	280	+3	..	..	61.9
Snia Viscosa	90	-7	..	..	..
Volkswagen	£47½	-½	..	..	..

DOLLAR STOCKS

Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
Brascan	£9¾	-¼	60.5	6.2	3.3
BP Canada	£10¾	-½	..	..	..
Can Pac Ord	£13¾	-¼	47.9	3.4	9.8
El Paso	112	-½	41.7	3.5	22.5
Exxon Corp	£30½	-½	..	..	..
Fluor	£27¾	-¼	63.7	2.3	11.9
Hollinger	£24¾	-1	..	..	..
Hud Bay Oil	£25¼	-1	30.5	1.2	26.7
Husky Oil	£10¾	-¼	..	..	..
INCO	£11¾	-¼	51.7	4.3	19.4
IU Int	£9¾	-¼	47.8	5.7	8.7
Kaiser Alum	£15¾	-¼	37.7	3.4	..
Massey-Ferg	£7¾	-¼	39.1	7.6	13.2
Norton Simon	£12¾	-½	47.9	3.5	10.9
Pacific Petrol	£27½	-¼	..	..	..
Pan Canadian	£20¾	-¼	..	..	..
Steep Rock	214	-8	..	..	..
Trans Can P	£10¾	-¼	..	..	..
US Steel	£12¾	..	..	..	..
White Pass	725	..	35.9	2.2	21.0
Zapata Corp	£11¼	-¼	15.7	1.4	33.4

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
Alexs Discount	252	+4	21.7	8.6	5.7
Allen H & Ross	320	-5	30.3	9.5	7.1
Allied Irish	217	-4	11.4	5.2	5.2
Arb-Latham	163	..	15.3	9.4	10.3
ANZ Grp	330	-5	10.9	3.4	10.8
Bank America	£19	..	57.0	3.0	13.1
Bk of Ireland	420	-12	22.7	5.4	5.7
Bk Leumi Israel	15	..	0.4	2.5	11.2
Bk Leumi UK	176	..	11.2	6.6	15.2
Bk of NSW	425	-2	10.3	3.1	15.2
Bk of Scotland	283	-3	17.5	6.6	6.7
Bnks Tst NY	£26¾	..	161	6.3	10.3
Barclays Bank	325	+3	20.1b	6.1	5.6
Brown Shipley	253	..	14.1	5.6	8.2
Cater Ryder	272	-4	25.6	9.4	..
Chase Man	£24¾	-½	114	4.7	11.6
Citicorp	£15¾	-½	61.8	3.3	11.2
Clive Discount	77	..	7.0	9.1	5.8
Com Bk of Aust	220	-2	9.4	4.3	10.4
Com Bk of Syd	165	-3	7.6	4.6	16.8
C C De France	£27¾	..	95.0	4.4	15.5
First Nat Fin	4¾	-¼	..	..	..
Fraser Ans	12¾	+½	..	..	..
Gerrard & Nat	174	-1	12.4	7.1	4.6
Gibbs A	55	..	3.3	6.1	23.6
Gillett Bros	220	..	23.2	10.5	5.4
Grindlays Hldgs	129	-1	4.2	3.2	4.4
Guinness Peat	250	..	15.5	6.5	9.5
Hambros Ltd	£17	..	146	8.6	..
Do Ord	182	..	14.6	7.7	8.2
Hill Samuel	91	-1	7.4	8.2	7.8
Hong K & Shang	290	-7	7.5b	2.7	30.0
Jessel Toynbee	58	+1	5.0	8.5	..
Joseph L	190	-5	12.0	6.3	9.4
Keyser Ullmann	42	..	1.0	2.1	66
King & Shaxson	60	..	5.2	8.7	4.6
Kleinwort Ben	100	-4	6.5	6.5	7.3
Lloyds Bank	248	..	14.5	5.9	4.9
Mercury Secs	110	..	5.7	5.2	5.8
Midland	338	..	22.4	6.6	5.0
Minster Assets	61	..	5.3	8.8	5.4
Nat of Aust	225	-2	9.3	4.1	9.1
Nat Com Bk Grp	74	..	4.2	5.6	5.6
Nat W'minster	260	+2	18.9	7.0	5.4
Ottoman	£49½	-¾	280	5.7	11.4
Rea Bros	56	..	2.5	4.3	11.2
Royal of Can	£20¾	-¼	71.8	3.4	21.2
Schroders	450	+5	17.5	3.9	10.0
Seccombe Mar	215	..	20.2	9.4	9.9
Smith St Aubyn	79	..	7.4	9.7	..
Standard Chart	412	..	20.6	7.2	5.2
Union Discount	313	+7	24.0	7.6	5.2
Wintrust	69	..	4.6	6.8	17.2

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
Allied	83	-2	6.7	8.0	11.4
Bass Charrgton	167	-4	7.6	4.6	11.2
Belhaven Grp	46	+2	..	..	..
Bell A.	252	-4	7.5	3.0	8.6
Boddingtons	95	+1	4.0	4.2	14.8
Brown M.	120	..	6.7	5.1	14.0
Bulmer HP Hldgs	157	-6	4.9	3.6	8.1
Burtonwood	171	-1	5.2	3.1	10.2
C of Ldn Dfd	65	+1	4.6b	7.1	22.4
Devenish	200	..	9.1	4.6	10.6
Distillers	201	+3	11.0	5.5	9.4
Greenall	127	-2	4.2	3.3	12.8
Greene King	305	-2	12.1	4.0	14.8
Guinness	163	-3	11.0	6.7	7.7
Hardys & H'sons	185	-2	10.9	5.9	12.4
Highland	134	+4	4.4	3.3	20.0
Invergordon	135	+4	2.5	1.9	12.5
Irish Distillers	175	..	6.1	3.5	11.9
Marston	80	..	2.9	3.6	10.0
Scot & Newcastle	62½	..	5.2	8.3	6.6
Seagram	£19¾	-¼	41.9	2.2	14.0
SA Breweries	73	-½	7.0	9.6	3.9
Tomatin	122	-1	4.7	3.9	15.1
Vaux	125	-2	6.1	4.9	13.0
Whitbread 'A'	99	-1	6.0	6.1	8.2
Do B	98	-2	6.0	6.0	2.8
Whitbread Inv	92	-2	6.1	6.7	22.3
Wolverhampton	225	+6	9.2	4.1	13.3

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

A — B

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
122	77	AAH	120	+2	9.3	8.5	7.7
47	25	AC Cars	42	+2	1.4	3.4	8.8
162	39½	AGB Research	145	+3	5.2	3.6	17.1
257	134	APV Hldgs	230	+3	9.1	4.0	8.5
79½	45½	Aaronson Bros	70	+1	5.3	7.6	7.1
134	62	Acrow	134	+3	3.8	2.8	11.1
111	52	Do A	100	..	3.8	3.8	8.3
54	21	Adda Int	50½	+1½	1.0	2.0	9.3
310	156	Adwest Group	305	..	15.2	5.0	8.4
130	34	Aeron't & Gen	115	..	3.9	3.4	12.0
62	42	Airfix Ind	54	+1	4.9	9.0	5.1
23¾	7¾	Akzo	£10¾	..	..	..	..
166	147	Alcan Ord	162	+2	15.0b	9.3	5.1
96	69	Do 10½%	£85	..	1050	12.4	..
303	205	Algemate Ind	260	-7	21.2	8.1	7.6
77	44	Allen E. Balfour	52	-1	6.0	12.6	9.5
59	25½	Allen W. G.	52	..	4.3	8.2	4.2
100½	44½	Allied Colloids	77	..	2.6	3.3	14.2
74	43	Allied Insulators	67	+1	6.5	9.7	5.1
37	7½	Allied Plant	18	..	1.1	6.7	7.0
79	35	Alpine Hldgs	72½	-½	4.2	5.7	18.6
322	210	Amal Metal	318	..	24.7	7.8	12.9
171	57¼	Amal Power	158	..	8.6	5.1	4.2
49½	21	Amber Day	46	+2½	3.8b	8.3	6.3
29	5	Amber Ind Hldgs	24	..	0.8	3.2	4.4
94	41	Anchor Chem	68	+2	6.3	9.3	4.4
71	39½	Anderson Strath	64	+2	4.0	6.2	7.4
95	48½	Anglia TV 'A'	92	+1	6.7	7.2	8.4
640	290	Anglo Amer Ind	530	+10	43.1	8.1	8.7
42	22	Ang Swiss Hldgs	36	..	..	..	..
105	49	Appleyard	92	+3	9.5	10.3	7.4
57½	38½	Aquascutum 'A'	50½	..	2.3	4.6	10.8
137	66½	Arlington Mtr	113	+2	11.7	10.3	4.5
77½	36	Armitage Shanks	68	..	6.5	9.6	11.9
73	39	Armst Equip	68	+3	3.2	5.3	10.3
54	55½	Ass Biscuit	80	..	4.8	6.0	5.4
260	84	Ass Book	235	..	6.5	2.9	7.8
79	44	Ass Brit Food	73	..	3.5	4.8	7.5
120	66½	Ass Comm 'A'	115	..	10.0	8.7	6.8
142	82	Ass Engineer	109	-1	7.3	7.3	5.6
71	36	Ass Fisheries	45	+2	..	..	..
71½	39½	Ass Leisure	70½	-3	4.6	6.5	8.8
184	121	Ass News	180	+1	8.7	4.8	8.8
68	30	Ass Paper	59	..	4.4	7.7	4.3
44	23	Ass Tooling	40	..	3.9	9.7	18.4
69	23	Astbury & Mdley	69	..	3.0b	4.4	8.1
59	27	Atkins Bros	55	..	5.6	10.1	6.2
43	17	Audiotronic	23	..	0.3	1.1	..
42	22	Ault & Wiborg	40	+1	3.1	7.7	8.1
101	56	Aurora Hldgs	95	+2	8.2	8.7	4.4
102	30	Austin E.	102	..	5.8	5.7	4.6
90½	30	Automotive Pd	75	..	2.2	2.9	7.8
57½	14½	Avana Grp	57½	+2	1.7	2.9	10.4
197	113	Averys	190	..	8.8	4.6	11.1
225	74	Avon Rubber	201	..	14.1	7.0	2.9
347	238	B.A.T. Ind	306	..	22.4	7.4	5.5
304	208	Do Dfd	263	..	..	..	..
48	39	BBA Grp	57	..	3.8	6.6	5.8
124	71	BET Dfd	116	+2	8.8	7.6	6.8
144	87	BICC	138	+2	11.1	8.2	11.6
28	20	BL Ltd	23	..	..	..	..
82	61	BOC Int	71½	-½	5.3	7.4	8.2
278	171	BPB Ind	240	..	11.6	4.8	5.1
34	26	BPM Hldgs 'A'	29	-1	4.3a	7.8	6.0
45	17½	BSG Int	41¼	+¼	3.3	7.8	4.0
108	54	BSR Ltd	97	+3	7.5	7.7	6.5
339	149½	BTR Ltd	333	+4	16.7	5.0	11.4
181	70	Babcock & W	151	+1	8.8	5.8	7.4
36	21	Baggeridge Brk	34	..	3.5	10.4	10.5
9¾	3	Bailey C.H. Ord	5¾	+¼	0.3	5.0	44.2
194	93	Baird W.	184	+3	14.9	8.1	6.0
123	65	Baker Perkins	118	+2	6.5	5.5	4.0
85	28½	Bambergers	77	..	4.9	6.4	12.2
147	14	Bambers Stores	147	+1	2.3	1.6	11.1
70	25	Banro Cons	62	-3	3.4	5.4	7.7
16	3½	Barker & Dbson	13	..	..	..	36.1
264	144	Barlow Rand	214	+4	16.4	7.7	4.5
161	39	Barr & Wallace	150	-2	5.6	3.8	5.0
160	37	Do A	148	-1	5.6	3.8	5.0
128	58½	Barratt Devs	111	+1	22.4	11.2	3.0
54	28	Barrow Hepbn	38	..	2.3b	6.0	6.5
72	33¼	Barton & Sons	66	+1	4.6	7.0	6.8
155	69	Bassett G.	127	..	8.7	6.8	6.4
99	29	Bath & P'land	64	-1	5.2	8.0	3.7
83	34	Beales J.	81	+1	4.4	5.4	3.5
202	68	Beatson Clark	196	..	8.7	4.4	5.2
54	26½	Beaufort Grp	53	..	5.1	9.5	5.8
84	48	Beckman A.	78	..	7.6	9.7	9.1
743	372	Beecham Grp	712	+7	28.2	4.0	13.8
81	39½	Bejam Grp	60	..	2.3	3.9	7.4
85	54	Bemrose Corp	75	..	6.3	7.0	10.3
69½	20	Benn Bros	55	..	4.9	8.8	11.3
211	131	Berec Grp	150	..	6.5	4.3	6.8
167	74½	Berisf'd S & W	150	+2	6.5	4.3	5.4
63	31	Berisfords	62	..	3.8	6.1	5.2
67	36	Best & May	65	..	4.7	7.2	5.6
175	122	Bestobell	160	..	14.4b	9.0	7.2
69	28	Bett Bros	62	..	2.7a	4.4	9.7
263	102	Bibby J.	240	..	10.7	4.4	4.5
58	29½	Bifurcated Eng	54	..	4.4	8.1	5.4
120	50	Birm'gham Mint	120	+2	7.4	6.1	7.8
123	68	Black & Edg'tn	100	..	7.1	7.1	12.2
72	38¾	Blackwd Hodge	67	+3	3.4b	5.1	7.3
30	15	Blackwood Mt	26	..	..	..	14.9
275	132	Blagden & N	232	+2	18.2	7.8	9.9
302	153	Blue Circle Ind	275	+3	14.7	5.3	7.0
87	39	Blundell Perm	84	..	4.8	5.7	8.2
29½	7½	Boardman K. O.	19½	+1	1.7	8.9	6.3
75	33	Bodycote	74	..	3.4	4.6	7.2
44	17	Bonser Eng	44	..	2.2	5.0	12.6
300	128	Booker McCon	284	+2	12.0	4.2	8.3
212	84	B'sey & Hawkes	176	..	7.7	4.4	7.2
161	87	Boot H.	142	..	13.9	9.8	7.9
242	115	Boots	209	+1	9.1b	4.3	14.8
97	45	Borthwick T.	64	..	9.4	14.7	8.5
19½	11¾	Boulton W.	16½	..	1.7	8.8	7.9
218	140	Bowater Corp	195	+2	14.9	7.6	9.6
68	34	Bowthrpe Hldgs	63	..	2.8a	3.9	7.5
90	51½	Braby Leslie	81	..	6.7	8.3	4.1
76	54	Brady Ind	58	+2	5.3	9.1	..
75	48	Do A	56	+2	5.3	9.5	10.6
41	21½	Braham Millar	39	..	2.2	5.7	5.5
45	17	Braid Grp	39	..	2.2	5.5	5.8
117	67½	Braithwaite	107	..	6.5	6.1	6.0
118½	28¾	Brammer H.	113½	-3¾	4.8	4.0	11.1
59	38	Bremner	55	..	7.0	12.7	13.9
218	70¼	Brent Chem Int	200	..	4.9	2.4	16.8
68	25	Brent Walker	58	-1	1.8	3.3	24.1
54	25	Brickhouse Dud	52	..	3.6	6.9	7.9
172	90	Bridon	114	+4	9.3	8.2	11.3
41½	27½	Bright J. Grp	31½	..	3.7	11.7	20.8
49½	29	Brit Car Auctn	49	+½	3.8b	7.7	12.8
246	137	Brit Home Strs	210	..	9.5	4.5	17.0
56	34	Brit Printing	53½	+1	5.2	9.9	5.0
104	45½	Brit Sim Speo	104	..	7.1	6.8	9.9
150	69½	Brit Sugar	146	+6	7.2b	4.9	3.5
70¼	30¼	Brit Syphon Ind	61	..	5.0	8.2	4.4
65½	30½	Brit Tar Prod	58	-1	3.1	5.6	13.1
117	38¾	Brit Vita	111	+1	3.0	2.7	4.8
30	13½	Britains	23	..	2.3	9.9	6.0
74	44	Brockhouse Ltd	65	..	5.8	8.9	6.2
66	41	Brocks Grp	64	..	5.7	8.9	16.2
765	395	Broken Hill	700	-10	19.5	2.8	30.8
60	33	Brook St Bur	80	..	6.4	8.0	16.2
56	38	Brooke Bond	49	..	4.3	9.8	4.0
50	17	Brooke Tool	45	..	3.8b	8.3	9.5
158	49	Brotherhood P.	120	-3	9.8	8.1	9.0
235	23	Brown & J'kson	234	+4	1.5	0.6	20.6
139	74	Brown & Tawse	138	+1	7.3	5.3	8.0
62	32	BBK	57	-½	3.3	5.9	7.2
29	12	Brown Bros Cp	29	+1	2.5	8.4	5.1
495	99	Brown J.	452	+12	13.4	3.0	4.7
124	55	Bruntons	106	..	10.6b	10.0	9.4
58	27	Bryant Hldgs	49	+2	3.6	7.3	10.3
176	61½	Bullough Ltd	163	..	9.3	5.7	6.7
70	29	Bulmer & Lumb	59	-2	4.7	8.0	4.8
150	87	Bunzl Pulp	96	+1	7.4	7.6	4.4
97½	35	Buren Dean	70	+2	6.2	8.9	7.0
52	22	Burgess Prod	46	..	3.5	7.8	7.0
211	64	Burnett H'shire	211	+1	4.3	2.1	5.5
211	63	Do A NV	210	..	4.3	2.1	5.5
61	36	Burns And'son	56	..	2.5	4.4	5.0
17¾	9	Burrell & Co	11½	..	1.4	12.2	18.3
186	130	Burt Boulton	182	..	15.2	8.3	6.8
102	51	Burton Grp	162	..	2.3	1.4	..
164	39	Do A	155	..	2.3	1.5	..
88	30	Butterfld-Harvy	76	+1	3.6	4.7	5.7

C — E

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
35	14¾	CH Industrials	32	..	3.0	9.5	4.5
61½	33½	Cadbury Sch	57½	-½	4.6	8.0	7.4
112	58¾	Caffyns	106	+2	9.6	9.0	7.9
62	48	C'bread Robey	62	..	2.8	4.5	16.4
136	30	Campari	115	+1	3.0	2.6	3.0
124	64	Do B	114	+1	..	..	..
62	45½	Camrex Hldgs	53	+2	6.0	11.3	4.4
74	36	Canning W.	74	..	6.0	8.1	6.7
136	97	Cape Ind	129	+2	12.4	9.7	3.4
117	37	Caplan Profile	115	+1	7.3	6.3	7.4
97	33¼	Capper Neill	83	..	3.2	3.8	4.2
95	32	Caravans Int	73	..	7.3	10.0	2.8
77	35	Carclo Eng	77	..	4.5	5.9	5.8
51	29	Carless Capel	32	..	1.4	4.4	8.9
237	59	Carlton Ind	224	..	6.6	3.0	9.6
76	38	Carpets Int	64	+1	2.5	4.0	16.3
50	18½	Carr J. (Don)	47	..	1.4	3.0	7.3
43½	22½	Carr'ton Viy	37½	+½	3.3	8.8	4.7
110	63¾	Carroll P. J.	105	..	9.7	9.3	8.0
38¾	13¾	Castel S Hldgs	34	..	1.6	4.8	5.7
25	7	Causton Sir J.	23	..	..	..	5.7
165	86	Cawoods	140	..	5.8	4.1	9.3
39½	12	Celestion	32½	..	1.1	3.5	7.0
110	37¾	Cement Rdstone	98	..	5.0	5.1	9.4
37	15½	Cen & Sheer	33½	+½	1.8	5.3	9.8
63	33¾	Central Man	61	..	4.6	7.5	4.1
300	68½	Centreway Ltd	256	+5	18.4	7.1	5.0
64	34	Ch'mbn & Hill	62	..	4.1	6.7	4.4
56½	27½	Chamberl'n Grp	50	..	4.2	8.4	8.5
25	10	Change Wares	19½	..	4.6	29.5	10.8
21¼	15	Do Cns Cum	20	..	1.8	9.1	..
135	91	Chloride Grp	125	..	7.8	6.2	11.9
126	57	Christies Int	122	+1	5.0	4.1	10.6
55	27	Christy Bros	53	..	4.2	7.9	5.1
142	97	Chubb & Sons	137	+1	7.9	5.7	8.4
198	87	Church & Co	183	..	5.6	3.0	7.3
79	45	Coalite & Chem	72	..	4.2	5.8	5.1
79	50	Coates Bros	78	..	3.5	4.5	7.6
78	45	Do A	76	..	3.5	4.6	7.4
84	57	Coats Patons	70½	+½	4.9	7.0	4.8
135	48	Cole R. H.	118	-1	5.6	4.8	6.0
101	33	Collett D'son	86	-1	5.0	5.8	8.0
186	99	Collins W.	148	-2	7.0	4.8	9.2
186	99	Do A	147	-1	7.0	4.8	9.1
38	14	Comben Grp	31	..	3.6b	11.7	9.1
134	50	Comb Eng Strs	134	..	5.5	4.1	15.2
154	90	Comet Radiov'n	147	..	3.9	2.7	13.4
114	64	CompAir	96	..	5.7	6.0	7.6
71	28	Compton Webb	70	-1	2.8a	4.0	12.5
42	16	Cook W.	37	..	3.2	8.8	3.8
72	37	Cope Allman	71	..	5.2	7.4	7.2
21	9	Copson F.	17	..	1.3	7.4	8.1
43	16½	Coral	41	..	3.0	7.2	5.6
144	64½	Coral Leisure	115	+3	9.1a	7.9	6.7
79	33	Cornercroft	68	..	6.3b	9.7	13.7
81	32½	Cosalt	66	..	3.5	5.3	3.9
258	89¾	Costain R.	250	+8	3.9	1.6	8.4
48	8	Countryside	41	-1	3.5	8.6	14.3
121	71	Courts (Furn)	120	+2	5.4	4.5	7.0
120	73	Do A NV	120	+2	5.4	4.5	7.6
135	90	Courtaulds	124	+3	11.4	9.2	11.1
72	30	Courtney Pope	68	..	3.6	5.3	9.7
78	30¼	C'wan de Groot	64	..	3.4	5.4	4.9
48	23	Cowie T.	42½	..	2.7	6.3	3.8
44	14	Crellon Hldgs	14½	+½	1.8	12.0	..
20½	15	Do 12% Conv	15	-½	1.2	8.0	..
90	28	Crest Nicholson	82	-1	5.6	6.8	9.7
72	43	Croda Int	66	..	3.7	6.1	7.2
43	23	Cronite Grp	40	+1	3.7	9.3	13.4
84	23	Cropper J.	61	..	2.3	3.8	4.0
168	94	Crosby Hse	137	..	..	..	..
105	45	Crossley Bldg	104	..	6.3	6.0	14.6
116	48	Crouch D.	116	..	6.2	5.3	9.9
73½	25	Crouch Grp	67	+1	4.5	6.7	11.9
64	32¾	Crown House	63	+1	5.8	9.1	10.1
45	28	Crowther J.	36	..	1.0	2.7	..
147	83	Cum'ns En Cv	£82½	..	375	4.1	..
190	63½	Dale Electric	184	+1	4.2a	2.3	17.3
24¾	14	Dana Corp	£21¾	-½	69.0	3.3	..
140	76¾	Davies & New	128	+1	11.1	8.8	10.3
101½	29	Davis G.	97	+½	5.0	5.2	3.8
149	75	Davy Corp	144	+1	8.4	5.8	8.3
709	350	De Beers Ind	629	..	44.4	7.1	11.6
40	21	Deanson Hldgs	40	..	3.2	7.9	8.9
118	64¾	Debenhams	91	..	8.1	8.9	8.7
500	128¾	De La Rue	460	+8	19.2	3.3	8.6
580	233	Decca	455	+10	18.0	4.0	18.5
565	225	Do A	420	+5	18.0	4.3	17.1
81¾	49	Delta Metal	74	-1	7.6	10.3	9.3
103	68	Denbyware	102	..	8.2	8.0	10.9
178	82	De Vere Hotels	164	-1	7.1	4.3	23.7
77	20¾	Dewhirst I. J.	70	..	2.3	3.2	7.8
26	11	Dewhurst Dent	16½	..	..	..	6.3
147	89	DRG	132	+1	11.0	8.3	10.4
210	57	Diploma Inv	187	+1	5.8	3.1	10.2
97	28	Dixon D	86	..	5.6	6.5	3.6
178	63	Dixons Photo	124	+1	3.7	2.9	6.4
65	20	Dizer	63	..	0.9b	1.4	61.2
122	40¾	Dobson Park	112	+½	6.1	5.4	9.1
85	41	Dom Hldgs	85	..	7.0	8.3	12.3
80	47¼	Dorada Hldgs	74	+2	7.6	10.3	6.8
105	43¾	Douglas R. M.	95	..	5.2	5.5	6.6
30	17	Dow'd & Mills	29	..	1.8	6.3	8.5
163	63½	Downing G. H.	135	..	5.6	6.5	4.1
303	93	Dowty Grp	275	+4	6.8	2.5	14.4
37	22½	Drake & Scull	36½	+1½	1.5	4.2	5.6
38	14	Dreamland Elec	34	+1	2.0	5.9	6.3
39¾	27¾	Dufay	30	..	2.2	7.2	11.3
123	72	Dunlop Hldgs	76	..	8.0	10.6	5.6
22	9½	Duple Int	19½	+½	1.0b	5.1	7.6
87½	57½	Duport	70½	..	6.8	9.7	4.8
160	41	Durapipe Int	155	..	6.2	4.0	9.4
54	26	Dutton For	48½	+1	4.6	9.5	3.7
40	21	Dykes J. Hldgs	39½	..	..	..	..
253	129	E.M.I.	143	..	14.6	9.8	8.4
126	20¾	ERF Hldgs	117	+9	4.2	3.6	2.6
68	35	E Lancs Paper	68	..	5.2	7.7	7.2
109	22	Eastern Prod	97	-1	6.6	6.8	2.7
160	56	Eastwood J. B.	158	..	5.9	3.7	8.1
264	105	Edbro	264	+2	9.6	3.6	8.2
50	19	Elcco Hldgs	46½	..	2.9	6.2	12.7
63	33	EIS	62½	+1	4.7	7.5	10.2
315	44½	Electrocomps	300	+5	3.8	1.3	13.8
29½	15	Electronic Mach	20	..	..	..	..
145	48	Electr'nic Rent	136	+1	7.6	5.6	8.2
163	55¾	Elliott B.	154	+3	8.1	5.2	5.3
106	66	Ellis & Everard	89	-1	7.6	7.7	20.0
305	14¾	Ellis & Gold	26½	-¼	2.9	10.1	12.1
102	37	Elson & Robbins	87	+1	5.0	5.7	6.8
21¾	10	Elswick Hopper	17½	+½	1.5	8.6	3.2
202	53½	Empire Stores	170	..	7.3	4.3	13.5
20¾	4¾	Energy Serv	16	..	0.5	2.8	15.0
28	22	England J. E.	28	+2	2.2	7.7	6.1
34	25	English & O'seas	27½	..	2.1	3.9	10.1
108	50	English Card Cl	95	..	4.5	4.7	8.1
109	89¾	Eng China Clay	80	+3	6.0	7.5	8.9
104	51	Erith & Co	97	..	8.3	8.5	12.1
220	122	Esperanza	129	..	8.6	6.8	10.5
78	42	Eucalyptus Pulp	63	+1	6.4b	10.2	2.7
142	54	Euro Ferries	128	-1	4.4	3.4	6.2
200	140	Eurotherm Int	184	+4	5.3	2.9	17.5
107	52	Eva Industries	100	-1	7.3	7.3	4.7
38¾	12¾	Ewer G.	35½	..	2.1b	6.0	11.3
19½	7½	Excalibur	16½	..	0.8	4.9	5.5
128	65	Exch Telegraph	126	..	8.2	6.5	11.1
87	35	Expand Metal	78	+½	5.5	7.6	8.7

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
115	52	FMC	64	..	6.1	9.5	5.3
26	7	FPA Cons	17½	-½	..	..	9.1
78	25¾	Fairbairn L'sn	66½	+½	7.7	11.6	5.9
78	37¾	Fairclough Cons	69	+1	5.3	7.7	8.1
130	29	Fairview Est	137	+1	3.8	7.0	7.7
150	109	Farmer S.W.	146	..	7.7	5.2	8.2
410	81	Farnell Elect	403	+13	10.0	2.5	16.7
49	13	Fed Lnd & Build	42	+1	3.6	8.5	11.2
49	28	Feedex Ltd	32	..	2.1	6.5	6.8
172	111	Fenner J. H.	158	+1	10.5	6.7	10.8
128	65	Ferguson Ind	120	+2	9.1	7.6	7.9
68½	19½	Fine Art Dev	66½	+½	2.8	4.2	13.9
130	50	Finlay J.	103	..	7.6b	7.4	4.9
31½	10	First Castle	43	..	3.4	7.8	12.0
460	283	Fisons	347	+2	20.2	5.8	7.0
73	45	Fitch Lovell	66	+1	6.2	9.4	10.5
69	20	Fodens	69	+2	5.1	7.9	2.3
103	36	Fogarty E.	100	..	3.9	3.0	7.5
29½	19½	Folkes Hefo NV	29½	..	2.1	7.9	4.7
36	16	Ford M.	34½	..	3.2	9.4	12.2
259	130	Ford Mtr BDR	155	-5	8.3	5.3	16.4
165	49¾	Forminster	163	+1	6.3	3.9	8.4
212	121	Foseco Min	163	-1	7.3	4.5	10.9
163	39	Foster Bros	163	+4	4.3	2.7	15.5
48	18	Foster J.	45	-2½	3.8	8.4	6.5
110	69	Fothergill & H	108	..	9.4	8.7	8.8
48	28	Francis G. R.	45	..	6.0	13.8	8.6
81	28	Francis Ind	73	..	5.1	7.0	4.3
400	127	Freemans Ldn	380	..	9.8	2.4	13.9
78	40	French T.	65	..	4.2	6.5	5.0
41	14	French Kier	36	+1	2.7	7.4	6.3
112	53	Friedland Doggt	104	-2	5.0	4.8	7.5
99	48	GEI Int	90	..	6.3	7.0	5.0
68	25½	Gallifd Brindley	65	..	15.8	24.3	7.0
18	7½	Garford Lilley	16	..	1.3	7.6	5.6
106	67	Garnar Scotblair	103	+1	7.2	7.0	4.9
329	163	GEC	328	+5	6.1	1.9	11.7
104½	98½	Do F Rate	£99¾	-½	1106	11.1	..
27	12	Gen Eng (Rad)	15	..	..	..	21.2
330	185	Gen Mtr BDR	220	-5	10.1g	4.6	22.3
204	124	Gestetner 'A'	170	+1	6.3	3.7	6.0
91	33½	Gibbons Dudley	66	+1	4.0	6.0	3.3
105	38	Gieves Grp	93	+1	6.8	7.3	6.2
166	80¾	Gill & Duffus	157	+2	6.6	4.2	9.6
72	23	Giltspur Ltd	65	+1	4.4	6.8	6.8
96	36	Glass & Metal	83	..	4.2	5.1	5.9
27	13	Glass Glover	20	..	1.9	9.5	5.5
667	400	Glaxo Hldgs	635	+8	16.2	2.6	12.7
34	19	Gleeson M. J.	30	..	2.9	7.4	6.0
88	34	Glossop & W.J.	60	..	5.7	9.5	6.2
124	76	Glynwed	110½	..	12.4	11.2	3.9
80	39	Goldbg & Sons	79	..	6.2	7.9	13.4
87	41	Gomme Hldgs	67	+1	5.1	7.6	9.8
35	60	Gordon & Gotch	80	..	4.5	5.6	6.7
35	11	Gordon L. Grp	25	+1	..	..	21.0
72	47	Grampian Hldgs	68	..	6.1	9.0	17.4
125	47¾	Granada 'A'	117	-2	3.1	2.7	12.6
120½	63½	Grand Met Ltd	110½	+1½	6.7	6.0	9.2
158	77	Grattan W'hse	130	..	8.4	6.5	10.1
348	183	Gt Univ Stores	326	+2	12.5	3.8	12.9
346	175	Do A	324	+2	12.5	3.9	12.8
53	17¾	Greenfield Mill	50	..	2.7	5.5	6.5
72	28	Gripperrods	64	..	4.7	7.3	5.2
368	248	GKN	270	+3	23.7	8.8	9.0
137	49	HTV Grp	125	..	14.0	11.2	9.9
128	71	Haden Carrier	122	..	12.2	10.0	16.1
147	55	Haggas J.	141	+3	1.1a	0.8	9.0
123	67½	Hall Eng	113	..	7.2	6.3	6.3
257	99½	Hall M.	237	-2	10.7	4.5	9.9
48	6¾	Halma Ltd	43	+2	1.1	2.6	7.7
104	66	Hanimex Corp	70	-2	4.4	6.2	3.9
161	109	Hanson Trust	136	+1	10.0	7.3	6.7
51	28	Hardy Furn'	36	..	0.3	0.8	..
43	23	Do A	35½	..	0.3	0.9	..
62	38	Hargreaves Grp	57	..	4.9	8.5	9.0
59	34½	Harris Sheldon	53	-½	4.6	9.0	8.9
125	45	Harrison T.C.	110	..	6.2	5.6	7.0
375	276¾	Harrison Cros	335	..	33.0a	6.3	10.5
118	52	Hartwells Grp	108	+3	10.2	9.4	3.3
269	113	Hawker Sidd	254	+6	6.2	2.4	10.7
77	43	Hawkins & T'son	73	..	6.1	8.3	4.8
83	24	Hawthorn L.	74	..	..	..	..
159	87	Hays Wharf	151	+1	7.7	5.1	18.6
58	17¾	Headlam Sims	57	..	2.6	4.5	4.6
24¾	8¾	Helene of Ldn	23½	..	1.0	4.3	5.5
41	20	Helical Bar	32	..	..	..	19.0
90	35½	Hend'son Kent	86	..	3.7	4.3	6.7
137½	84½	Henly's	127	+2	13.0b	10.2	5.1
100	39½	Hepworth Cer	86	..	5.3	6.2	6.9
83	29¾	Hepworth J.	69	..	3.6	5.2	21.1
12	6½	Herman Smith	11	..	..	..	..
331¼	72	Hestair	82	+1	10.4b	12.0	3.4
66	14¾	Hewden-Stuart	64	..	1.6	2.6	7.6
25	11	Hewitt J.	25	..	7.6	6.2	5.7
112	63	Hicking P'cost	109	..	10.9	10.9	4.5
233	98¾	Hickson Welch	216	..	5.4	2.5	5.8
97	38	Higgs & Hill	84	..	5.2	6.2	4.7
99	22¾	Hill & Smith	76	+2	5.3	7.0	4.7
150	78	Hill C. Bristol	95	..	11.0	11.6	30.1
300	71	Hillards	210	+4	7.5	3.6	6.2
98	66	Hoffnung S.	79	+2	6.5	8.2	9.7
72	33	Hollas Grp	64	-1	6.8	10.5	6.2
74	34	Hollis Bros	71	+1	6.9	9.6	8.7
176	70	Holt Lloyd	160	..	10.6	6.6	11.6
224	60	Home Charm	224	..	5.9	2.6	15.3
418	195	Hoover	290	..	22.5	7.7	11.2
412	195	Do A	290	..	22.5	7.7	11.2
118	56	Hopkinsons	116	..	7.7	6.6	6.6
116	37	Horizon Mid	114½	..	8.6	7.5	11.6
176	71	Hse of Fraser	160	..	7.5	4.7	11.7
88	26	Hoveringham	88	..	2.9	3.2	10.9
85	21½	Do RV	86	..	3.2	3.7	10.6
32	11¾	Howard & Wynd	31	..	0.5	1.6	17.6
29	10½	Do A	27	..	0.5	1.9	15.3
32	23	Howard Mach	28	..	1.8	6.4	19.6
39¾	17	Howard Tenens	33½	..	2.6	7.8	..
88	44	Howden Grp	87	+1	7.1	8.2	8.8
16¾	9¾	Hudsons Bay	£13¾	+¾	31.2	2.2	13.7
30	16	Hunt Moscrop	26½	..	1.2	4.5	9.6
375	76	Hunting Assoc	375	..	4.5	1.2	13.3
183	63	Huntleigh Grp	183	..	4.0	2.2	11.1
118	47	Hutch Whamp	93½	-½	..	..	..

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460	350	ICL	460	+26	11.6	2.5	8.4
138	78	IDC Grp	136	..	13.9	10.3	26.6
69	46	IMI	61	..	5.3	8.7	7.4
196	74	Ibstock Johns'n	180	+2	9.7	5.4	8.7
445	330½	Imp Chem Ind	396	+3	26.5	6.7	8.7
140	75	Imp Cold Store	115	..	5.3	7.2	4.6
88	65	Imperial Grp	81½	-½	8.6	10.5	6.2
33	17	Ingall Ind	32	-1	2.8	8.8	11.8
40	28	Ingram H.	31	..	..	..	20.4
94	51½	Initial Services	84	..	7.6	8.0	7.3
82	41½	Int Paint	82	..	3.5	4.2	6.6
308	300	ITO Common	300	..	7.7	2.6	9.3
280	240	Do Conv Pref	240	..	15.9	6.6	..
145	70	Int Timber	128	-1	10.7	8.3	8.1
83	47	Inveresk Grp	67	+1	7.4	11.1	7.8
11¼	6¾	Itoh BDR	£9¾	+¼	8.8	0.9	..
67¾	24½	JB Hldgs	60	..	1.6	2.7	5.9
30	12	Jacks W.	25	..	1.5	6.0	..
75	37	Jacksons B'End	66	..	3.0	4.6	5.1
15¾	9½	James M. Ind	13¼	-¼	1.5	11.5	9.8
305	149	Jardine M'son	258	..	6.5	2.5	..
197	90	Jarvis J.	164	..	14.5	8.8	9.7
46	16	Jessups Hldgs	41½	+1	2.6	6.3	6.2
75	43¾	Johnson & F B	69	+1	7.2	10.4	6.9
113	27	Johnson Grp	102	+2	6.3	6.1	7.5
482	307	Johnson Matt	456	..	20.8	4.5	8.8
134	36	Johnson-Richd	96	+1	2.7b	2.8	6.6
96	42½	Jones Stroud	98	+1	7.1	7.4	4.5
45	21	Jourdan T.	41	..	4.4	10.7	4.8
81	27	K Shoes	74	..	3.8	5.1	6.7
38	19½	Kalamazoo	33½	..	3.1	9.2	7.6
135	36	Kelsey Ind	102	..	4.9	4.8	4.7
84	49½	Kenning Mtr	75	..	6.9	9.2	5.4
44	21	Kent M. P.	36	..	3.3	8.9	9.7
152	52¾	Kode Int	142	..	7.1	5.0	7.7
56½	13¾	Kwik-Fit Hldgs	51	+½	1.3	2.5	13.7
137¾	68¾	Kwik Save Disc	86	..	3.9	4.8	13.1
101	63	LCP Hldgs	94	..	8.3b	8.9	6.7
40	29½	LRC Int	35	+1	4.4	12.7	9.0
156	80	LWT Hldgs 'A'	136	..	10.5	7.7	8.2
216	88	Ladbroke	181	+3	11.6a	6.5	8.3
64	25¾	Ladies Pride	58	+1	4.4	7.4	7.4
225	70	Laing J.	207	+2	4.7	2.3	8.6
223	69	Do A	207	+2	4.7	2.3	8.6
99	40	Laird Grp Ltd	39½	..	4.5b	4.7	7.0
65	43	Lake & Elliot	49	..	5.3	10.9	11.8
48	31	Lambert H'wth	47	..	5.0	10.5	6.0
78	28	Lane P. Grp	47	-1	5.0	10.7	3.3
131	83¾	Laporte Ind	115	..	10.7	9.2	21.8
130	63	Latham J.	125	..	11.4	9.1	10.1
136	45	Laurence Scott	105	+1	7.6	7.2	5.2
110	53	Lawrence W.	107	..	9.9	9.2	8.0
68	24	Lawtex	66	..	4.8	7.3	4.4
377	128	Lead Industries	357	..	11.6	7.4	8.4
62	36	Le-Bas E.	41	..	2.9	7.1	..
35	15¾	Lee A.	33	..	2.3	9.8	5.0
150	22	Lee Cooper	137	+2	3.8	2.7	5.1
172	60¾	Leigh Int	153	..	6.6b	4.3	18.8
114	45¾	Leisure C'ran	114	..	5.1	4.5	14.9
45	27	Lennons Grp	33	+1	2.5	7.7	6.5
281	113	Lep Grp	248	..	5.2a	2.1	7.1
97	57	Lesney Ord	92	+2	4.4	4.8	6.5
147	70	Letraset	147	+4	8.2	5.6	8.9
91¼	42	Lex Services	84½	..	4.8a	8.1	5.9
105	31¼	Liberty Ord	195	+6	4.4	2.2	10.8
58	33	Lilley F. J. C.	77	+1	3.8	4.9	7.1
61	30	Lincroft Klg	53	..	5.8	10.9	2.9
151	58	Lindustries	149½	+½	13.6	9.4	6.1
197½	100	Linfood Hldgs	131	..	14.2	10.9	5.3
39	19	Linread	37	..	3.4	9.1	..
61	22	Lister & Co	54	+1	1.5	2.8	7.4
79	64	Lloyd F. H.	70	..	8.1	11.5	6.4
21½	9	Locker T.	20	..	1.3	6.6	7.7
19¾	8¾	Do A	17	..	1.3	7.8	6.5
120	38	Lockwoods Fds	120	..	5.6	4.7	6.5
110	49	Ldn & M'land	100	-1	10.2	10.2	7.5
43½	23	Ldn & N'thern	33	+1	3.0	9.2	8.8
95	39	Ldn Brick Co	69	+3	4.9	7.1	5.4
217	94	Ldn Prov Post	196	-2	14.7	7.4	7.4
78	31	Longton Trans	73	..	5.9	8.1	4.6
87	36	Lonrho	60	..	10.0	16.7	3.6
93	39	Lonsdale Univ	89	+1	7.7	8.7	6.3
74	26	Lookers	65	+4	3.9	6.0	3.4
120	44	Lovell Hldgs	103	+1	5.9	5.7	4.9
200	120	Low & Bonar	194	..	17.3	8.9	6.2
337	204	Lucas Ind	311	..	12.8	4.1	7.7
153	47	Lyons J. Ord	151	+2	11.5b	7.6	..

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
146	16½	MFI Furn	138	-1	3.2	2.4	5.8
240	87	MK Electric	230	+7	8.0	3.9	7.2
245	48	ML Hldgs	203	..	6.5	3.2	13.7
77	37	MY Dart	64	..	3.6	5.7	5.0
315	138	McCorquodale	298	..	23.5	7.9	8.4
49	16½	McInerney Prop	35	..	3.0	8.7	9.6
19	10	McCleery L'Amie	16	..	0.3	2.0	..
49	28	Mackay H.	47	+2	4.9	10.5	22.2
102	60¾	McKechnie Bros	97	..	7.9	8.1	5.5
52½	12½	Mackinnon (Scot)	47	..	2.5	5.3	6.1
60	31	McNeill Grp	43	..	..	..	..
81	37	Macpherson D.	75	..	4.5	5.9	7.7
153¾	76¾	Magnet & Sthns	150	..	9.0	6.0	8.2
56½	29	Mallinson Denny	52½	+1	4.2	8.1	6.7
98	50	Man Agcy Music	86	..	8.6	9.9	6.6
38	15	Manch Garages	32½	+½	1.5	4.6	4.3
263	177	Man Ship Canal	293	+5	23.5	8.4	15.4
100	14	Mang Bronze	76	..	2.9	3.8	3.3
53	27	Manordale Grp	35	..	6.2	17.8	3.3
35	5¾	Maple Hldgs	24½	..	..	..	..
166	136	Marchwiel	142	+6	7.6	5.3	..
93	47½	Marks & Spencer	83	+1	3.2	3.9	16.1
29	14	Marley Ltd	77	+2	3.8	4.9	6.8
37	8¾	Marling Ind	86	..	1.6	4.3	3.2
54½	31	Marshall Cav	53	+2	6.6	12.5	8.9
52	27	Marshall T Lox	48	..	3.9	8.2	2.9
52	28	Do A	47	..	3.9	8.3	2.8
180	95	Marshalls Univ	140	..	9.7	6.9	4.8
97	45	Martin-Black	59	-1	6.1	10.3	..
240	99½	Martin-News	238	..	11.0	4.6	5.7
220	91	Martonair	221	..	8.3	3.8	13.8
85	48	May & Hassell	79	..	4.6	5.9	27.0
150	60	Maynards	144	..	8.2	5.7	10.4
31	13	Mears Bros	15	..	..	..	62.5
30	10¾	Medminster	30	..	2.9	9.6	17.1
110	30	Melody Mills	110	..	4.9	4.5	8.1
17	9	Menmore Mfg	15½	+1	1.4	9.0	13.4
200	78	Menzies J.	180	-2	4.0	2.1	10.2
383	246	Metal Box	356	+4	22.7	8.4	5.7
109	65	Metal Closures	103	..	6.7	6.5	6.6
55	12¾	Metalrax	52	..	1.7	3.3	10.0
77	28	Mettoy	73	+1	3.3	4.4	5.2
98	44	Meyer M. L.	91	..	7.1	7.8	7.5
48	16¾	Midland Ind	45	..	1.6	3.5	6.6
60	37¾	Milbury	52	..	3.6	7.0	4.2
205	95	Mills & Allen	167	+2	11.4	6.9	4.5
102	28	Mining Supplies	98	..	1.9	1.9	13.3
49	36½	Mit Cotts Grp	46	+½	5.2	11.3	6.1
69	24½	Mitchell Somers	68	..	2.4	3.8	4.8
78	43	Mixconcrete	70	..	5.1	7.2	11.3
41	22¾	Modern Eng	41	..	4.2	10.3	8.8
155	97	Molins	140	..	11.1	8.0	10.4
106	23¾	Monk A.	100	..	5.3	5.3	3.5
59½	33	M'santo 5% Ln	£47	..	500	10.6	..
59½	40	Do 6% Ln	£54½	..	625	11.5	..
220	98	Do 5% Cnv	£123	..	500	4.1	..
77	35	Montfort Knit	69	..	5.5	7.9	5.6
90¾	21	Morr O'Ferrall	80	..	4.6	5.7	9.5
138	56	Morgan Cruc	129	+2	8.9	7.3	8.7
64	24	Morgan Edwds	63	..	..	..	..
55	24	Mortall Abel	46	..	3.7	8.0	4.9
94	36	Morris & Blakey	89	+5	6.2	7.1	10.4
94	33	Do A	86	+6	6.2	7.2	10.2
147	36½	Moss Bros	138	..	4.9	3.6	22.8
77	46	Moss Eng	70	+1	6.3	9.0	7.5
210	101	Mothercare	164	+4	4.5	2.7	16.1
18½	8	Movitex	15	..	0.5	3.4	16.9
144	48	Mowlem J.	134	+4	9.9	7.4	7.1
230	127¾	Muirhead	206	+5	7.6	3.7	15.6
73	39	Myson Grp	63	-1	1.8	3.0	66.3
118	43¾	NSS News	118	..	3.1	2.6	10.7
66	27	Nathan B. & L.	65	+1	3.0	7.7	7.2
67	38	Nat Carbon	38	..	..	..	..
42	12	Needlers	39	..	2.3e	5.8	6.5
49	30½	Neepsend	45	..	4.0	10.9	5.5
94	37	Negretti & Zam	84	..	5.5	6.6	12.2
109	69	Neill J.	90	+2	9.7	10.7	4.3
187	45	Newarthill	171	-1	7.3	4.3	5.3
97	55½	Newman Ind	97	+2	7.8	8.0	3.8
72	37	Newman Tonks	63	..	6.1	9.7	6.1
290	88	Newmark L.	280	..	10.2	3.6	8.6
109	51	Norcros	107	+2	6.7	6.3	7.3
44	11	Norfolk C Grp	36	+1	0.9b	2.5	15.0
49	26	Normand Elec	45	..	4.3	9.5	6.3
142½	54	NEI	137	+3	9.9	7.2	7.1
114	43¾	Nthn Foods	104	..	5.7b	5.5	12.4
215	44	Norton & Wright	218	+5	6.4	3.0	13.2
29	4	Norton W. E.	29	..	1.2	4.2	8.6
107	53	Norwest Holst	94	..	7.0	7.4	4.2
142	60	Notts Mfg	140	+3	5.1	3.6	6.2
122	48½	Nurdin & Peacock	86	..	2.9	3.4	9.2
32½	17½	Nu-Swift Ind	30½	..	2.5	8.1	14.5

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107	68	Ocean Wilsons	87	..	4.4	5.0	7.8
131	55	Office & Elect	127	..	6.4	5.1	8.4
116	50	Ofrex Grp	114	-2	4.8b	4.2	10.3
23¾	11¾	Ogilvy & M	£18	-¾	51.7	2.9	12.4
119	43	Owen Owen	118	+1	4.5	3.8	11.1
74	7	Oxley Printing	66	+1	3.9	6.0	2.8
130	56½	Parker Knoll 'A'	119	..	5.5	4.6	6.6
115	80	Parker Timber	101	..	9.2	9.1	5.3
53	14	Paterson R.	45	..	3.5	7.7	8.0
230	126¾	Paterson Zoch	180	..	11.7b	6.5	3.4
225	117¾	Do A NV	175	..	11.7b	6.7	3.3
135	62½	Pauls & Whites	119	+1	6.5	5.5	7.0
267	102	Pearson Long	255	+2	9.1	4.0	9.3
244	123	Pearson & Son	228	..	11.5	5.1	9.6
37½	24½	Do 4% Ln	£34	..	400	11.8	..
208	148	Pegler-Hatt	172	..	11.6	6.8	6.8
23¾	6	Pentland Ind	23½	..	1.1	4.5	5.3
111	42	Pentos	100	+2	7.2	7.2	6.1
103	63	Perkin El 4%	£103	+2	..	..	..
141	39½	Perry H. Mtrs	112	+2	4.8	4.1	3.9
87	39	Petrocon Grp	65	..	6.9	10.6	8.5
64	51	Philips Fin 5¾	£59½	..	575	10.4	..
31	7¾	Philips Lamps	£9¼	..	42.1	4.6	..
31	7	Phillips Pats	18	..	..	..	14.5
195	64	Phoenix Timber	146	..	6.5	4.5	..
150	67	P'dilly Theatre	125	..	2.7	2.2	35.1
16	11	Pickles W.	15	..	1.0	6.9	10.5
112	54	Pifco Hldgs	100	..	4.6	4.6	7.0
109	52	Do A	96	..	4.6	4.7	6.7
325	136½	Pilkington Bros	307	+9	9.8	2.9	9.0
59¼	39¾	Pillard Grp	50	+1	4.4	8.8	4.7
96	40½	Plaxtons	93	..	5.4	5.8	7.9
79	31	Pleasurama	78	+4	3.1	4.0	7.4
125	62	Plessey	123	+8	8.3	6.7	10.0
18¾	7¾	Do ADR	£15¾	-¼	..	..	..
108	42	Plysu	86	+1	2.1	2.2	8.1
238	158	Portals Hldgs	232	..	12.3	5.3	9.7
127	81	Porter Chad	107	..	8.0	7.5	5.6
67	32	Portsmth News	67	+1	4.8	7.1	6.2
223	119	Powell Duffryn	201	+1	15.2	7.5	5.0
74	50	Pratt F. Eng	72	..	7.6	10.5	6.1
90	32	Preedy A.	84	..	4.3	5.1	5.2
32	12¾	Press W.	29	..	1.3	4.4	7.8
185	107	Prestige Grp	180	..	8.5	4.7	10.4
46	27	Pretsylch Pkr	41	..	4.6	11.1	10.9
203	135	Pretoria P Cem	170	-5	16.5	9.7	3.4
97	45	Priest B.	90	..	8.1	9.0	4.9
43	18¾	Pritchard Serv	39	..	2.3	5.8	8.4
113	37	Pye Hldgs	83	+2	5.4	6.5	5.3
48	23	Pyke W. J.	45	..	1.0	2.2	70.3
40	23	Pyramid Grp	43	..	3.7	8.6	8.1
22¾	14	Quaker Oats	£18¾	-¾	60.8	3.3	10.9
48	6½	Queens Moat	42	..	0.5	1.2	45.7
84	31	R.F.D. Group	77	..	2.4	3.1	4.7
380	117	Racal Elect	340	+6	5.9	1.7	13.4
18	12	Raine Eng	13	..	1.3b	10.2	5.7
293	140	Rank Org Ord	264	+4	12.1	4.6	8.3
61	29¾	RHM	56	..	5.2	9.3	8.6
67	60	RHP	60	..	5.8b	9.7	7.9
182	96	Ransomes Sims	168	+8	13.1	7.1	5.7
85	30½	Ratcliffe F. S.	79	..	8.0	10.1	6.6
79	15¾	Rainers	68	-1	3.6	5.2	9.5
101	31¼	Rayheck Ltd	95	+½	5.1	5.4	11.1
45	23½	Readicut Int	42¾	+¼	2.4	5.7	8.6
156	72	RMC	140	-2	9.2	6.6	8.0
530	330	Reckitt & Colmn	515	+2	17.0	3.3	9.9
90	59	Record Ridgway	82	..	7.5b	9.1	7.0
328	76	Redfearn Nat	302	+5	24.0	7.9	4.0
104	64	Rediffusion	98	+1	7.3	7.3	13.3
172	86	Redland	167	+3	6.4	3.8	8.3
62	18	Redman Heenan	61	+1	3.1	5.0	4.2
106	21	Reed A.	103	-1	4.3	4.2	8.8
104	32	Do A NV	103	..	4.3	4.2	8.9
77	15	Reed Exec	72	..	4.2	5.8	10.0
238	202	Reed Int	160	+4	12.1b	7.6	7.6
28¾	14¾	Reliance Grp	£22¾	-¾	80.7	3.6	6.5
48	19	Reliance Knit	48	-1	5.4	11.1	4.1
58	44	Rennies Cons	54	..	9.7	17.9	2.6
164	112	Renold Ltd	135	+2	14.5	10.7	7.0
75	35	Rentokil Grp	73	..	2.7	3.7	14.4
49	17	Renwick Grp	46	..	1.5	3.3	4.1
73	45¾	Revertex	69	+1	5.5	7.6	8.2
71	27	Rexmore	70½	..	6.4	9.1	8.9
314	64	Ricardo Eng	295	..	10.6a	3.6	10.4
95	37	Richards & Wall	85	+1	7.1	8.4	5.5
23¾	14¾	Rich'n-Merrell	£19¾	-¾	55.0	2.8	14.1
66	35	Richardsons W.	60	..	6.9	11.5	8.1
160	71½	Rockware Grp	139	..	8.0	5.8	4.2
120	55	Rolls-R Motors	114½	+1	7.9	6.9	11.0
52½	25	Ropner Hldgs	40	-1	3.2	8.1	5.4
49	24½	Do A	40	..	3.2	8.1	5.4
23	4½	Rosgill Hldgs	22	..	..	..	6.2
56	30	Rotaflex	41	..	2.5	6.1	5.7
52	22	Rotaprint	37	..	4.4	12.0	3.2
65½	32	Rothmns Int 'B'	63½	..	3.1	4.9	2.9
20¼	10	Rotork Ltd	57	..	1.9	3.3	5.7
190	65	Routledge & K	185	..	6.1	3.3	10.4
33	10	Rowlinson Con	26	..	0.9	3.3	7.4
449	229	Rowntree Mac	395	..	19.7b	5.0	9.8
170	66	Rowton Hotels	153	..	9.9	6.5	15.2
170	86	Royal Worcs	170	..	10.0	5.9	36.2
41	14	Royco Grp	40	+1	3.0	7.6	11.2
46	18	Ruberoid	44	+1	3.4	7.8	10.8
80	46	Rugby Cement	79	+1	5.9	7.5	8.7
188	58	SGB Grp	176	..	8.3	4.7	10.4
29	7¾	SKF 'B'	£10½	-¼	47.8	4.6	5.2
132¾	39	Saatchi	125	..	5.5	4.4	12.8
40	26½	Sabah Timber	38	-½	2.5	6.5	4.6
255	130	Sainsbury J.	228	+2	9.2	4.0	9.3
29½	16	St Gobain	£28	-½	173	6.2	63.0
335	113¾	Sale Tilney	306	..	16.3	5.3	8.4
210	58	Samuel H.	200	..	7.6	3.8	22.1
199½	56½	Do A	181	..	7.6	4.1	11.0
70	41	Sanderson Kay	70	..	6.6	9.5	8.5
41	20	Sanderson Mur	38	..	4.7b	12.4	4.1
56	27	Sanger J. E.	39	..	..	..	7.6
112	74	Sangers	84	..	8.8	10.5	7.4
87	30	Savoy Hotel 'A'	80	+1	1.5	1.9	12.8
116	69	Scapa Grp	107	..	8.3	7.7	6.3
297	193	Scholes G. H.	283	..	28.1	9.9	9.9
92	41	Scoteros	75	..	4.8	6.5	7.5
72	14	S.E.E.T.	67	..	2.9	4.1	3.8
47	17¾	Scot Heritable	44	..	1.4	3.2	5.1
74	25	Scottish TV 'A'	67	..	3.6	5.3	4.8
133	55	Scot Univ Inv	122	+1	11.0	9.9	7.9
44½	16¾	Sears Hldgs	42	+1	2.0	4.6	15.3
135	47¾	Securicor Grp	126	+1	3.8	3.0	9.4
135	43	Do NV	126	+1	3.8	3.0	9.4
135	56	Security Serv	130	+2	5.3	4.1	7.8
135	53¾	Do A	130	+2	5.3	4.1	7.8
41	11½	Sekers Int	35	..	2.3	6.5	8.8
29¾	20¾	Selincourt	29½	+¾	2.9	7.0	3.3
30	18	Senior Eng	26½	+½	1.8	6.7	8.4
120	44	Serck	86	..	9.9b	11.5	7.1
39½	25	Shakespeare J.	27½	+½	2.9	10.6	5.5
68	13	Shaw Carpets	65	+1	3.8	5.9	19.7
101	35	Sheepbridge	72	+1	6.5	9.0	9.8
14½	3½	Sherman S.	13½	..	..	..	..
106	62	Sidlaw Ind	90	-1	9.1	10.1	10.4
218	113	Siebe Gorman	214	..	8.6	4.0	8.2
70	20	Siemssen Hunt	64	..	4.2	6.6	8.0
175	152	Signode 7% Cn	£166	..	700	4.2	..
99	28	Silentnight	99	+3	4.1	4.1	5.3
296	189	Simon Eng	276	+6	12.3	4.5	7.3
120	36	Simpson S.	116	..	5.8	5.0	9.4
125	36	Do A	110	..	5.8	5.3	8.9
78	31	Sirdar	74	-2	4.4	6.0	5.6
101	54	600 Group	101	+3	8.8	8.7	8.5
138	62	Sketchley	132	+2	8.2	6.2	10.4
41	10	Smallshaw R.	31	..	..	..	3.4
55	21½	Smart J.	43	..	3.0a	7.0	7.7
107	28	Smith D. S.	84	..	4.0	4.8	7.3
80	39½	Smith & Neph	77	+½	3.9	5.0	9.3
191	67¾	Smith W. H. 'A'	164	..	3.1	1.9	18.4
220	120	Smiths Ind	206	+2	11.4	5.5	9.4
210	84½	Smurfit	197	..	13.3	6.7	10.2
27	15	Sobranie	26	..	2.7	10.3	26.5
26	15	Do NV	24	..	2.7	11.1	24.5
63	37	Solicitors Law	58	..	5.9	10.1	15.8
307	158	Sotheby P. B.	300	+12	12.9b	4.3	12.6
172	111	Spear & Jackson	146	+4	14.2	9.7	14.6
245	100	Spear J. W.	218	+1	2.8	1.3	6.5
29	7	Spencer Gears	19	..	0.8	4.3	10.3
39½	29½	Spillers	34½	+1½	2.1a	5.9	8.4
184	70	Spirax-Sarco	164	..	6.7	4.1	12.5
158	66	Staffs Potts	146	..	6.0	4.1	6.2
134	40¾	Stag Furniture	130	+2	7.7	5.9	9.2
40	12	Stakis (Reo)	38½	+2	1.2	3.0	16.5
158	42¾	Stanley A. G.	156	+2	6.4b	4.1	11.6
306	163	Staveley Ind	296	+3	15.2	5.1	6.3
250	102¾	Steel Bros	228	..	9.9	4.3	7.7
254	138	Steetley Co	190	..	10.2	5.4	4.7
19	9	Steinberg	17	+½	1.5	8.5	9.7
60	35	Stew't & Ll 6%	50	..	..	..	..
85	23	Stocklake Hldgs	56	-2	3.9	6.9	3.0
183	83	Stocks J. & Son	160	..	6.6	4.1	4.5
113	69¾	Stonehill	113	+1	9.1	8.1	13.0
146	93	Stone Platt	109	..	6.1	5.6	5.3
255	98	Stothert & Pitt	235	..	14.9	6.3	10.6
43½	20	Streeters	24	..	2.6	10.7	..
87	54	Strong & Fisher	63	..	7.0	11.1	3.7
36	11	Sunbeam W'sey	33	..	4.3	13.0	4.4
72	28	Sutcliffe S'man	64	..	8.5	13.3	8.5
177	63¾	Swire Pacific 'A'	149	-1	..	..	..
154	44	Sytone	153	..	8.4	5.5	5.8
21	9	Symonds Eng	20	..	2.0	10.2	11.0

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31	9	Tace	29	..	1.9	7.5	4.8
17½	6¾	Takeda Bdr	£16¾	-¾	16.9	1.0	47.0
23½	3	Talbex Grp	17½	..	0.8e	4.7	16.7
220	124	Tarmac Ltd	145	+1	15.6	10.8	6.9
280	165	Tate & Lyle	180	-4	20.4	11.3	4.3
130	70	Tavener R'lge	72	..	..	..	10.4
94	43	Taylor Pallis	93	..	6.8	7.3	6.0
504	244	Taylor Woodrow	432	+6	11.6	2.7	10.3
159	85	Tecalemit	146	+3	8.4b	5.8	7.7
43	18	Telefusion	38	..	2.0	5.2	14.6
42	17	Do A	37	..	2.0	5.4	14.2
156	84	Telephone Rent	146	+1	8.9	6.1	12.6
56	33	Tesco	54½	+1	2.5	4.5	10.3
34	11	Textured Jersey	34	..	1.5	4.5	8.1
239	81	Thermal Synd	100	..	6.8	6.8	5.4
403	196¾	Thorn Electric	376	+4	17.4	4.6	8.4
20	9½	Thurgar Bardex	17½	..	1.2	6.6	8.2
590	405	Tiger Oats	575	-5	32.4	5.6	4.5
316	194	Tilbury Cont	296	..	30.4	10.3	5.5
147	64½	Tilling T.	125	+3	6.9	5.5	7.0
215	42	Time Products	198	+1	2.6	1.3	7.4
20	8	Titaghur Jute	9	..	..	..	..
28	10	Tomkins F. H.	22	..	1.5	6.4	6.9
54	31	Tootal	47	+½	4.3	9.1	6.0
71	16	Toye	68	..	1.9	2.8	8.5
41	32½	Tozer Kemsley	56	+1	4.7	8.4	4.9
166	95	Trafalgar H Ltd	131	+1	9.6b	7.1	7.5
88	48	Trans Paper	71	..	7.3	10.5	9.5
85	48	Transport Dev	77	+1	5.0	6.5	12.4
194	77	Travis & Arnold	182	-1	5.8	3.2	8.0
90	25	Tricoville	94	..	3.1	3.7	7.7
61	31½	Trident TV 'A'	37	+2	4.4	7.7	7.1
93	25¾	Triefus & Co	91	..	2.5	3.0	10.0
106	30	Triplex Found	100	..	7.0	7.0	4.0
250	114	Trust Hse Forte	243	+6	13.4	5.5	10.0
436	311½	Tube Invest	394	+2	33.7	8.6	4.9
312	177	Tunnel Hldgs 'B'	304	+6	16.6	5.5	8.3
13½	7	Turner Curzon	11½	..	1.1	9.4	6.9
233	132	Turner Newall	185	+5	17.4	9.4	6.1
142	52	Turner Mfg	142	..	6.1	4.3	5.4
94	27	Turriff	87	-1	3.6	4.2	5.1
70	34	UBM Grp	70	+1	6.5	9.3	14.1
100	54	UDS Grp	100	..	8.0	8.0	10.7
192	126	UKO Int	161	..	13.3	8.3	6.7
109	65	Unicorn Ind	103	..	5.6	5.3	7.5
75	43	Unigate	75	+3	5.2	6.9	8.5
600	412	Unilever	564	+6	20.8	3.7	9.5
28½	20¾	Do NV	£25¾	+½	123	4.5	8.3
170	55	Unitech	170	..	6.1a	3.6	15.3
94	65¾	Utd Biscuit	96	+2	4.8	5.3	9.6
73	21¾	Utd City Merc	67	..	1.2	1.8	5.2
65	20	Utd Eng	65	..	3.4	5.2	11.1
70	21¾	Utd Gas Ind	67	..	5.6	8.4	7.3
403	198	Utd News	390	+4	22.1	5.8	7.6
382	91¾	Utd Scientific	340	+2	9.1	2.7	14.2
58	29	Valor	55	..	3.2	5.9	5.2
136	79	Vantona	129	-2	8.1	6.3	5.9
230	95	Vereeniging Ref	215	-5	19.7	9.1	5.5
198	64	Vibroplant	190	..	16.1	8.5	11.1
242	144	Vickers	195	+1	14.9	8.0	6.7
56	26	Vita-Tex	56	..	5.3	9.5	7.3
228	71	Vosper	203	..	7.6b	3.7	7.5
76	37	W Ribbons	65	..	5.0	7.7	8.1
178	70	WGI	136	..	8.9	6.5	6.7
262	111	Waddington J.	212	..	17.1	8.1	12.1
33	14	Wade Potteries	29	..	1.7	5.8	7.8
160	70	Wadkin	140	..	9.5	6.8	5.3
158	63	Wagon Ind	150	..	11.6	7.8	8.1
132	70½	Walker C & W	124	+1	10.0	8.1	5.2
120	35	Walker J. Gold	114	..	3.6	3.2	6.2
116	32	Do NV	108	..	3.6	3.4	5.4
117	33½	Ward & Gold	99	-1	6.9	7.2	8.3
82	39½	Ward T. W.	76	..	6.2	8.1	8.4
110	15	Ward White	107	+1	6.1	5.9	5.2
32	13	Wardle B.	29½	..	2.0	6.8	5.9
128	44½	Waring & Gillow	122	..	5.4	4.5	7.2
60	29¾	Warne Wright	51	+1	4.0	7.8	6.2
65	18½	Warrington T.	62	-3	4.7	7.6	23.0
58	21¾	Waterford Glass	56	+1	2.0	3.5	0.0
106	36½	Watmoughs	103	+1	6.1	6.0	8.3
70	36	Watson & Philip	77	..	3.6	4.7	9.0
125	69	Watts Blake	122	..	4.2	3.5	12.4
36½	14	Wearwell	38	..	..	..	10.9
59	16	Websters Pub	57	-½	2.0	3.5	9.3
150	71½	Weir Grp	117	..	8.1	7.0	6.4
29½	11½	Wellco Hldgs	27½	..	1.7b	6.2	8.2
58½	21	Wellman Eng	58	..	5.6	6.6	8.3
66	22	Westbrick Pds	58	..	2.7	3.9	8.6
60	29	Westinghse Brke	60	-1	3.4	5.6	6.4
69½	30	Westland Air	39	+1	4.8	12.4	10.2
9	9	Westminster Inv	9	..	..	..	..
26	15	Wharf Mill	23	..	2.2	9.3	..
54	25	Whatlings	42	..	3.9	9.3	8.1
65	28	Wh'lock Mar	51	..	..	..	..
107	51	Whessoe	72	+2	7.3	10.1	4.0
21	8	Wheway Watson	21	..	1.3	6.4	6.7
122	41	White Child	114	-8	7.6	6.1	8.3
112	64	Whitecroft	109	+2	10.0	9.3	7.0
54	18	Whiteley BSW	29	..	..	..	..
240	58	Wholesale Fit	230	..	8.9	4.1	9.4
276	45	Wigfall H.	253	..	20.5	8.1	10.9
37	11	Wiggins Constr	36	..	2.5	6.9	8.8
128	35	Wight Cons	120	..	11.4	9.5	6.8
214	129	Wilkins'n Match	171	+3	15.2	8.9	7.6
104	79	Do 10% Conv	93	..	1000	10.8	..
54	26¾	Wms J. Cardiff	52	..	4.2	8.0	6.8
63	26	Wills G. & Sons	56	..	2.4	4.2	5.8
91½	51	Wilmot Breeden	68	+1	4.7	6.9	5.0
42	17½	Wilson Bros	44½	+½	2.1	4.8	7.2
108	38	Wimpey G	81	..	1.0	1.3	7.9
54	24	Winn Ind	50	..	4.7	9.5	6.3
56	29½	Witter T	55	..	4.8	8.7	13.0
230	92	W'sley Hughes	220	+2	10.6	4.8	10.3
56	12	Wood & Sons	43	..	2.5	5.9	7.4
49	30	Wood S. W.	45	-1	6.5	14.5	..
101	63	Wood Hall Tst	97	+1	8.2	8.4	8.9
127	48½	Woodhead J.	107	+8	5.8	5.4	5.7
52	26	W'dh'se Rixson	29	+½	3.5	12.1	27.1
72½	49	Woolworth	67	+1	6.3	9.4	13.2
335	140	Yarrow & Co	335	..	7.8	2.3	11.4
75	23¾	York Trailer	40	+1	3.5	7.1	4.7
80	31	Youghal C'pts	38	..	..	..	..
44	11	Young H. Hldgs	39	..	..	..	..
63	21	Zetters	54	+1	2.0	3.6	7.4

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
295	175	Akroyd & Sm	208	-2	25.4	12.2	2.2
410	200	Assam Trdng 'B'	360	..	3.9	1.1	3.3
59½	17	Boustead	38	..	2.3	5.8	11.9
25	6	Brit Arrow	15	..	..	..	..
163	102	Challenge Corp	137	+2	6.6	4.8	7.5
69	42	Charterhse Grp	63	..	5.1	8.1	12.2
34½	27¾	C Fin de Suez	£30	-1	..	..	..
370	215	Daily Mail Tst	370	+8	19.4	5.2	20.8
368	210	Do A	365	+7	19.4	5.3	20.5
306¾	204	Dalgety	298	-1	24.4b	8.2	8.0
46	13	Dawnay Day	42	..	1.5	3.6	16.4
23	11	Edin Ind Hldgs	11½	..	0.2a	1.5	26.1
127	79	Electra Inv	117½	-1	7.6	6.5	21.7
28	15	Exploration	27	..	0.8	3.1	8.7
85	27	FC Finance	68	..	3.0	4.5	13.7
24	2½	Fitzroy Inv	20½	+½	..	..	..
30	14	Goode D & M Grp	21	-1	0.2	0.9	..
443	233¾	Inchcape	386	..	22.7	5.9	9.6
120	60	Lloyds & Scot	93	..	6.2	6.7	12.2
36	6	Ldn & Euro Grp	33	..	..	..	..
146	61	M&G Grp (Hldgs)	143	-2	5.5	3.8	15.1
54	28	Manson Fin	46	..	5.3	11.5	12.1
119	61	Prov Fin Grp	109	..	7.7	7.2	9.6
131	45½	Sime Darby	104	-1	3.0	2.9	25.9
69	37	Smith Bros	62	..	7.5	12.1	9.4
860	637	Tyndall O'seas	860	..	46.4	5.4	..
55	14	Utd Dom Tst	46	+2	..	..	8.0
58½	22¾	Wagon Fin	41	+1	3.1	7.6	8.6
87½	73	Yule Catto	78½	-1½	..	..	20.2

INSURANCE

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
131	68	Bowring	124	+1	4.7	3.8	..
58	28	Brentnall Beard	32	+2	2.0	6.3	9.8
184	112	Britannic	158	..	13.9	8.3	..
172	102½	Com Union	142	+2	12.2	8.6	..
180	107	Eagle Star	134	+1	9.9	7.3	..
194	114	Equity & Law	168	..	10.1	6.0	..
294	161	Gen Accident	204	+2	17.8	8.3	..
294	175	GRE	224	+2	16.2	7.2	..
400	255	Hambro Life	400	+5	31.8	7.9	..
297	130¾	Heath C. E.	272	+2	7.3	2.7	10.5
219	125	Hogg Robinson	211	..	9.4	4.5	10.9
191½	126	Howden A.	144	+1	10.6	7.4	7.9
184	104	Legal & Gen	146	-1	9.0	6.1	..
135	80	Leslie & Godwin	125	..	6.8	5.4	14.2
150	91¼	London & Man	129	..	10.2	8.0	..
193	57	Ldn Utd Inv	191	..	6.4	3.3	10.7
286	160	Matthews W'son	183	..	14.5	7.9	8.5
217	100	Minet Hldgs	199	..	5.1	2.7	11.8
79	43	Moran C.	59	..	5.0a	8.5	6.5
292	192	Pearl	230	+4	19.1	8.3	..
322	158	Phoenix	242	+4	16.8	6.9	..
143	100	Prov Life 'A'	138	..	12.4	9.0	..
143	100	Do A Br	138	..	12.4	9.0	..
135	100	Do B	135	..	12.4	9.2	..
135	100	Do B Br	134	..	12.4	9.2	..
190	116	Prudential	145	+3	10.6	7.3	..
154	84	Refuge	140	..	10.5	7.5	..
490	290	Royal	355	+2	26.3	7.4	..
478	224	Sedg. Forbes	435	..	16.2	3.7	13.9
113	99	Stenhouse	106	..	6.4	6.0	7.0
662	385	Sun Alliance	543	..	32.3	5.9	..
117	65	Sun Life	106	..	5.2b	4.9	..
183	112	Trade Indem'ty	175	..	13.4	7.7	..
310	195	Willis Faber	253	..	14.1	5.6	11.6

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
154	104	Aberdeen Trst	143	+½	7.7b	5.3	27.7
250	166	Alliance Trust	225	..	10.8a	4.7	27.8
52½	31½	Amer Trust	44½	-½	2.1	4.8	32.7
114	78	Ang-Amer Secs	102	..	4.6	4.5	30.8
52	32	Anglo Int Inv	41	-1	4.9	11.8	12.3
162	87	Do Ass	157	-2	..	..	..
53	31	Anglo Scot	47½	..	2.6b	5.4	30.1
142½	92½	Ashdown Inv	138½	..	6.3	4.6	32.4
74	35	ABC Regional	59	+1	0.8	1.3	60.2
115	49	Atlantic Assets	104	..	0.6	0.6	..
69½	40	Atlas Electric	66	..	2.9	4.4	32.8
65	39¾	Bankers Inv	59½	-½	3.9	6.5	23.0
76½	40	Berry Trust	74	..	1.3	1.8	83.5
68	41¾	Border & Sthrn	62	..	11.7	18.9	38.3
46	30	Brit Am & Gen	42	..	2.6	6.2	24.6
87½	49	Brit Assets Tst	79	..	3.6b	4.6	33.8
12	7½	Brit Emp Sec	11¼	..	0.9	8.0	15.8
178	116	Brit Invest	169	+1½	7.4	4.3	35.3
171½	102½	Broadstone	159½	..	8.0	5.1	28.9
110½	63	Brunner	100½	..	5.8	5.7	28.0
128	42	Bryccourt Inv	125	-1	3.8b	3.0	36.6
75½	43	CLRP Inv	69	..	2.9	4.3	29.1
280	187	Caledonia Inv	265	..	12.9	4.9	25.3
93	58	Caledonian Tst	83	+2	3.0	3.6	48.5
90	52	Do B	80	..	..	..	..
141½	91	Capital & Natl	130½	..	7.4	5.8	..
135½	84½	Do B	124½	-1	..	..	..
134½	73	Cardinal 'Dfd'	113½	..	6.1	5.5	..
133	89½	Cartiol Inv	119½	..	5.8	4.9	27.7
74	46	Cedar Inv	66½	..	3.9	5.9	25.2
66	40	Charter Trust	58	-2	3.3	5.7	26.1
96	54	Clydesdale Inv	81	..	2.7a	3.3	44.5
88	49	Do B	80	..	..	..	..
14¼	8½	Common Mkt	£14¾	+½	34.0	2.4	..
216½	152½	Cont & Ind	206½	-1	9.7	4.8	30.2
204	102	Crescent Japan	191	..	..	..	..
84	48	Crossfriars	80	-1½	5.6	7.0	21.6
31½	14½	Cumulus	29½	..	1.2	4.2	35.6
175	80	Delta Inv	150	..	..	..	..
232	132	Derby Tst 'Inc'	214	..	21.6	10.1	18.4
170	86	Do Cap	158	..	..	..	..
145	100	Drayton Com	131	..	6.8	5.2	25.5
165	115	Drayton Cons	150	-1	7.1	4.7	28.3
216	150	Do Premier	200	-2	10.2	5.1	27.6
74	40½	Dundee & Ldn	66	..	3.6	5.5	27.2
142	68	Edin Amer Ass	129	+2	1.7	1.3	83.8
249	164	Edinburgh Inv	238	-1	10.2	4.3	33.6
87	50	Elec & Gen	79½	..	2.4	3.0	47.7
97½	60½	Eng & Int	89½	..	5.8	6.4	21.5
87	54½	Eng & N York	77½	..	4.6b	5.9	25.6
93	38¾	Estate Duties	81	+½	2.8	3.4	39.3
111½	69	First Scot Am	98	+1	4.3	4.4	33.0
191	117	Foreign & Colnl	177	..	5.7	3.2	46.8
193	98	Gt Japan Inv	184	-2	3.0	1.6	89.3
192½	100	Gen Funds 'Ord'	181	..	7.1	3.9	49.2
150	78	Do Conv	146	..	..	..	..
118	74½	Gen Inv & Tsts	111	..	6.2	5.6	24.1
99	65	Gen Scottish	89	..	5.1	5.7	26.1
111	64	Glendevon	100	..	2.8	2.8	56.6
131½	71	Globe Trust	121½	-2	7.6	6.2	21.1
95	60	Grange Trust	91	..	3.3	4.1	35.8
113	75	Great Northern	104½	+½	6.1	5.8	26.5
102	61½	Greenfriar	90	..	2.2	2.5	58.0
75	47	Gresham Hse	72	..	4.6	6.3	21.4
99	57	Guardian	81½	..	4.1	5.0	28.6
108½	61	Hambros	107	..	5.7	5.3	27.8
204	122	Hill P. Inv	188	-1	12.0	6.4	23.8
91	42	Hume Hldgs A	79	..	7.2	9.2	15.5
60¾	39½	Indus & General	55½	..	2.7	4.8	29.5
84	52	Internat Inv	79	..	4.2	5.3	26.2
178½	99½	Invest in Suc	173½	..	4.6	2.6	55.3
83	58½	Inv Cap Trst	69½	-½	2.0b	3.5	46.1
182	103½	Jardine Japan	171	..	1.3	0.8	..
200	103	Jersey Ext	180	-2	..	..	..
205	66	Lake View Inv	99½	..	3.6	5.8	35.6
115	68	Law Deb Corp	106	..	7.2b	6.8	22.1
129	84	Ldn & Holyrood	119	..	5.7	4.8	33.1
209	139	Ldn & Montrose	196	..	8.3	4.2	36.1
127	84	Ldn & Prov Tst	116	-1	5.4	4.6	34.1
139	34	Ldn Merch Sec	130	..	2.5	1.6	..
139	31	Do Cap	130	..	..	..	..
97	44	Ldn Pru Invest	83	..	4.3	5.2	29.5
117	62½	Ldn Trust	104	-1	6.3	6.0	24.6
47	26	Mercantile Inv	41½	..	1.9	4.6	26.9
83	55	Merchants Trust	76½	..	4.4b	5.7	26.9
110	60	Moorside Trst	103	..	7.6	7.2	21.7
22½	11½	New Thrng 'Inc'	19½	..	2.5	12.9	12.2
161	24	Do Cap	146	+4	..	..	..
107	74½	North Atlantic	93	..	4.1	4.4	32.3
114½	71	Northern Amer	104½	-1	4.3	4.1	35.6
130	64	Northern Sec	125	..	5.2	4.1	29.2
68	48	Oil & Associated	58	..	3.2	5.4	27.4
136	58	Pentland	127	..	6.1	4.8	29.9
76	60	Progressive Sec	65	..	4.2	6.5	21.1
140½	99	Raeburn	127	+½	5.8	4.6	30.2
102	107	River & Merc	180	..	13.1	7.3	20.3
162	89½	River Plate	174	..	9.9a	6.4	..
105½	69	Romney Trust	95	..	4.0	4.2	32.8
221½	104½	Rothschild	204	+1	10.6	5.2	22.5
79	44	Safeguard	77	..	5.5	7.1	20.4
102	57½	Scot Amer	92½	+1½	3.9b	4.3	..
132	49	Scot & Merc 'A'	98	..	4.6	4.8	21.1
160	102	Scot Eastern	142	+½	6.6b	4.6	33.3
48½	25	Scot European	43	..	2.5	5.3	25.3
117½	75	Scot Invest	106½	+1½	4.2	3.9	30.0
129½	81½	Scot Mortgage	117½	+1½	5.0	4.3	36.3
168	111	Scot National	156	..	5.5	3.5	40.9
119	70	Scot Northern	107½	+½	5.1	4.7	32.7
92	57½	Scot United	80½	+½	2.6	3.5	50.0
110½	70	Scot Western	99½	+½	3.5	3.5	47.8
106	64½	Do B	96	..	..	..	..
217	143	Sec Alliance	199	..	9.6a	4.9	30.3
101	61½	Sec Gt Northern	85½	+½	..	..	44.7
99½	56	Do B	84	..	..	..	..
186	132	Sterling Trust	179	..	8.0	4.5	29.5
110	67½	Stockholders	104½	-½	3.6b	3.5	46.7
109	62	Thrmg Sec 'Cap'	103	+1	..	..	..
83½	42½	Throgmtn Trust	78	..	6.6	8.5	17.8
191	125	Trans-Oceanic	180	..	7.6	4.2	31.6
81	58½	Tribune Inv	75	-1	2.1	2.8	42.9
67½	46½	Triplevest 'Inc'	63	+1	6.7	10.6	14.3
179	94	Do Cap	147	+3	..	..	..
155	92	Trustees Corp	147	..	7.4	5.0	28.4
126	87½	Tyneside Inv	116	..	5.8	5.0	27.5
144½	97	Utd Brit Secs	133	..	6.7	5.1	29.9
107	74½	Utd States Deb	94½	+½	5.3	5.6	25.5
204	142	Utd States Gen	190	-1	9.2	4.8	28.4
104	69½	Viking Res	92	-½	1.7	1.8	60.1
220	140	W'bottom Trust	211	..	7.6	3.6	44.8
104	63	Witan Inv	93½	-½	3.5	3.7	..
101	61	Do B	97	..	0.1	0.1	..
136	111	Yeoman Tst	199	-1	11.5	6.1	24.0
35	17	Yorks & Lancs	33½	..	2.3b	6.5	24.3
90	50	Young Co Inv	85½	..	5.5	6.2	25.3

SHIPPING

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
301	215	Brit & Comm	295	..	24.1	4.8	8.6
180	54	Fisher J.	177	..	2.3	1.3	5.6
335	207	Furness Withy	257	+1	25	11	6.5
305	100	Hunting Gibson	104	..	..	..	..
41½	24¾	Jacobs J. I.	37½	..	2.8	7.5	13.3
270	205	Manch Liners	230	..	7.7	3.4	21.0
179	104	Ocean Trans	113	..	12.6	11.1	3.8
172	83	P & O 'Dfd'	92	-1	9.9	10.6	3.2

MINES

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
765	270	Anglo Am Coal	635	-5	39.1	6.0	..
380	195	Anglo Am Corp	347	-13	23.2g	6.7	..
20¾	11¾	Ang Am Gold	£17¾	+¼	104	5.9	..
49	19	Anglo Am Inv	£40¾	+¼	374	9.2	..
9½	6¾	Anglo Transvl	£8¾	+¼	72.5	8.8	..
9½	6	Do A	£8¾	+¼	72.5	8.8	..
15½	8¾	Asarco	£10½	-¼	20.5	1.9	..
415	235	Ayer Hitam	330	..	66.3	20.2	..
60	26	Beralt Tin	48	..	11.7b	24.5	..
417	249	Blyvoors	320	+3	59.7	18.6	..
46	12	Botswana RST	22	..	..	..	..
107	56	Bracken Mines	73	..	26.3	36.0	..
130	61	BH South	117	..	..	..	..
11¾	5¾	Buffelsfontein	£9½	+¼	107	12.6	..
168	106	Charter Cons	151	..	12.6	8.3	..
220½	136	Cons Gold Fields	178	-1	13.7	7.7	..
483	188	De Beers 'Dfd'	406	-6	32.9	8.1	..
403	140	Doornfontein	296	+7	31.3	10.6	..
442	132	Durban Rood	391	+11	..	..	..
37	9	East Dagga	25	..	15.1	60.4	..
917	426	E Driefontein	725	+14	52.0	7.2	..
477	377	E Rand Prop	313	+10	..	..	..
62	29	El Oro M & Ex	61	..	1.7	2.7	..
134	64	Elsburg Gold	102	+6	6.1	6.0	..
20¾	9¾	F S Geduld	£18¾	+1½	176	9.1	..
157	54½	Geevor Tin	145	..	7.6	5.3	..
20¾	12	Gen Mining	£18½	..	143	7.6	..
153	52	Grootvlei	101	+3	18.8	18.6	..
210	160	Hamersley	180	-5	..	..	..
138	77	Hampton Gold	127	..	5.5	4.2	..
409	235	Harmony	359	+7	33.1	9.2	..
16	7¼	Hartebeest	£12¾	+¼	158	12.5	..
18¾	10¾	Jo'burg Cons	£14¾	+¼	104	7.2	..
450	200	Kinross	345	+4	32.9	9.5	..
660	290	Kloof	574	+16	25.1	4.4	..
74	30	Leslie	54	+1	12.6	23.2	..
650	375	Libanon	510	+7	62.3	12.2	..
78	42	Lydenburg Plat	63	+5	..	..	..
242	123	MIM Hldgs	184	-2	5.7	3.1	..
85	33	MTD (Mangula)	33	..	4.1	12.6	..
470	220	Malayan Tin	425	-5	..	..	..
121	46	Marievale Con	84	+7	35.0	41.7	..
195	68	Messina Trans	70	+2	..	..	..
41	10	Metals Explor	36	-1	..	..	..
235	125	Middle Wits	185	..	15.8	8.5	..
204	125	Minorco	176	-2	6.2	3.5	..
480	247	Nthgate Explor	390	+35	13.3	3.4	..
570	345	Peko Wallsend	486	-4	..	..	..
11¾	6¾	Pres Brand	£9¾	+¼	78.6	8.3	..
10½	4¾	Pres Steyn	£9¾	+¼	25.1	2.7	..
160	80	Rand Mine Prop	105	..	8.9	8.5	..
42½	19	Randfontein	£39¾	+¾	293	7.3	..
258	164	Rio Tinto Zinc	248	+6	14.4	5.8	..
106	60	Rustenburg	84	+6	..	..	..
90	35	Saint Piran	67	+9	3.1	4.6	..
12¾	8	St Helena	£8	+¾	114	14.3	..
515	370	Selection Tst	470	-4	28.3	6.0	..
237	118	Sentrust	208	-4	18.9	9.1	..
97	39	SA Land	63	-3	..	..	..
76	46	South Crofty	58	+2	6.3	10.8	..
613	233	Southvaal	570	+14	13.1	2.3	..
340	150	Sthn Malayan	310	..	18.2	5.9	..
240	57	Sungei Besi	200	..	14.8	7.4	..
189	116	Tang Cons	183	-1	10.0	5.5	..
103	42	Tanjong Tin	88	..	9.9	11.2	..
260	207¾	Tharsis Sulph	255	..	10.0	3.9	..
15½	9¾	Transvaal Cons	£13	..	60.7b	4.7	..
265	93	Tronoh Mines	215	..	16.3	7.6	..
278	117	UC Invest	230	+2	20.3	8.8	..
338	165	Union Corp	314	+14	24.2	7.7	..
17¾	8	Vaal Reefs	£14¾	+¾	96.6	6.5	..
289	70	Venterspost	204	+3	15.7	7.7	..
42	27	Wankie Colliery	33½	..	6.6	19.8	..
375	219	Welkom	324	+14	33.0	10.2	..
29¾	13¾	W Driefontein	£23¾	+¾	241	10.3	..
209	73	W Rand Cons	113	+7	11.0	9.8	..
243	110	Western Areas	162	+4	9.5	5.8	..
9¾	5¾	Western Deep	£8¾	+¼	67.9	8.0	..
24¾	10½	Western Hldgs	£20¾	+¾	207	10.1	..
164	84	Western Mining	140	-4	1.8	1.3	..
870	380	Winkelhaak	634	..	77.1	12.2	..
29½	10	Zambia Copper	14¾	..	..	..	..

OIL

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
83	43	Ampol Pet	77	-1	..	..	..
120	47	Attock	86	..	..	..	..
186	128	Brit Borneo	154	..	10.2	6.6	15.7
960	720	BP	902	+12	35.1	3.9	8.7
88	41	Burmah Oil	77	+3	..	..	..
66½	44½	Century Oils	62	..	4.0	6.4	5.3
34½	18½	Charterhall	29½	-½	..	..	..
23¾	12¾	C F Petroles	£23	..	111	4.8	8.6
44	24	KCA Int	36	..	..	..	18.8
195	134	Lasmo	156	+3	..	..	..
415	265	Do Ops	365	-5	..	..	..
109½	94½	Do 14% Ln	£99¾	..	1400	14.1	..
322	77	Oil Exploration	224	+8	3.2	1.4	31.8
22½	8	Premier Cons	15½	..	..	..	..
13¾	7¾	Ranger Oil	£11¾	-¼	..	..	..
50¾	35½	Royal Dutch	£45¾	+¾	147	3.3	8.9
632	458	Shell Trans	570	+10	26.6	4.7	6.2
203	104	Tricentrol	182	+4	2.2	1.2	19.6
276	116¼	Ultramar	240	+2	..	..	7.5
261	84	Do 7% Cnv	229	..	10.6	7.6	..

PROPERTY

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
63½	29¾	Allied Ldn	60	..	2.8	4.7	15.5
234	127	Allnatt Ldn	223	+5	6.5	2.9	22.7
268	114	Apex Props	268	..	5.9	2.2	48.1
23	11	Aquis Secs	21½	..	1.0	4.7	23.9
95	51¾	Beaumont Prop	95	..	5.0	6.9	21.1
73	22½	Bellway Hldgs	67	..	4.4	6.5	..
143	50	Berkeley Hmbro	138	..	4.9	3.5	31.7
193	130	Bilton Percy	177	-1	9.4	5.3	19.9
187	118	Do Accum	172	..	0.5	0.2	..
275	118	Bradford Prop	255	+3	10.3	4.0	8.9
47¾	22	British Land	43	+1	..	..	..
116	56¾	Brixton Estate	110	-1	3.1	2.8	28.4
60	10	Cap & Counties	55	+½	2.6	4.7	26.8
360	141	Chesterfield	360	..	6.1	1.7	40.0
16½	6	Chown Secs	15½	..	..	..	..
330	145	Churchbury Est	327	..	7.0	2.1	39.9
65	37½	City Offices	62	+1	2.7	4.4	23.8
38	12½	Control Secs	37	..	1.3	3.4	69.8
182	114	Corn Exchange	178	..	3.2	1.8	39.9
29	17	Country & New T	27	..	1.0	3.8	..
110	35	County & Dist	110	+1	1.3	1.2	20.8
120	32½	Daejan Hldgs	111	..	4.5	4.1	11.4
51½	27	Eng Prop	39	+1	3.5	8.9	14.3
23½	11	Estates & Gen	20½	..	1.8b	8.9	17.1
104	32	Evans of Leeds	97	..	2.0	2.0	20.9
220	133¾	Gt Portland	212	+4	4.8	2.3	38.9
97	52	Guildhall	90	..	3.8a	4.3	18.4
642	310	Hammerson 'A'	620	..	8.3	1.3	65.6
272	132	Haslemere Ests	246	+2	5.0	2.0	24.7
250	142	Land Secs	231	-2	8.1	3.5	40.5
58	37½	Law Land	44	..	1.5b	3.5	..
319	40½	Ldn & Prov Sh	311	..	3.2b	1.1	57.8
79	40	Ldn Shop	76	+1	4.6	6.0	56.7
138	89	Lynton Hldgs	124	..	3.6	2.1	19.5
150	46	MEPC	140	+2	2.6	1.8	44.7
290	68	McKay Secs	280	+10	2.7	0.9	39.6
41	8½	Marler Estates	36	..	..	..	..
43¾	15	Midhurst Whites	40	..	..	..	..
143	46	Mucklow A & J.	128	..	6.5	5.1	23.3
275	108	Municipal	270	..	7.7	2.9	15.7
88	28	Peachey Prop	82	+½	3.0b	3.7	..
330	180	Prop & Rever	320	..	7.8	2.4	38.9
330	175	Do A	320	..	7.8	2.4	39.8
347	216	Prop Hldgs	314	+2	10.0	3.2	39.7
112¾	27½	Prop Sec	109	-3	2.1	1.9	..
6¾	2	Raglan Prop	4¾	..	..	..	..
97	31	Regional	80	..	1.7	2.1	24.9
75	30	Do A	73	+1	1.7	2.3	22.7
128	39	Rush & Tompkins	116	..	4.4	3.8	13.5
118	59¾	Scot Met Props	107	..	2.9b	2.7	43.9
129	77	Slough Ests	115	..	3.8	3.3	28.4
276	138	Stock Conv	262	+2	3.1	1.1	23.3
290	90	Sunley B.	276	..	6.6	2.4	..
17	5	Town & City	15	..	0.0e	0.2	..
138	41	Trafford Park	124	..	6.2	5.0	15.3
24½	10½	UK Props	22½	..	0.5	2.1	18.5
17¾	6½	Webb J.	16½	-½	0.7	4.1	8.1
21	10½	W'minster & City	20½	..	..	..	..

RUBBER

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
110½	34	Anglo-Indonesia	96½	+1½	4.2	4.7	..
66	15	Bradwall FMS	58	..	2.6	4.4	..
300	62	Castlefield	257	+7	5.0	1.9	..
56	13½	Chersonese	47	..	2.1	4.5	..
52	18¾	Cons Plant	41	..	3.0	7.2	..
67	37	Doranakande	67	..	2.2a	3.3	..
13½	5½	Grand Central	11½	..	0.5	4.2	..
385	155	Guthrie Corp	340	-3	22.7	6.7	..
129	48	Harrisons Malay	108	-½	6.1a	5.6	..
125	38½	Highlds & Low	107	+2	4.5	4.2	..
215	67	Hongkong	210	..	11.0	5.2	..
265	125	Killinghall	252	..	17.5	6.9	..
59½	22	Kulim Malaysia	44	..	2.1	4.8	..
197	44	Ldn Sumatra	185	..	6.1	3.3	..
60½	22½	Majedie	75	..	1.0	1.4	..
62	12¾	Muar River	57	..	0.7	1.3	..
51	24	Plant Hldgs	49	+2	2.5	4.8	..
93	19¾	Sungei Krian	85	..	2.3	2.7	..

TEA

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
390	147	Assam Frontier	312	..	24.6	7.9	..
125	52	Assam Inv	100	..	10.6	10.6	..
303	95	Camellia Inv	302	..	3.0	1.0	..
156	22	Deundi	150	..	40.4	26.9	..
245	120	McLeod Russel	232	-12	20.2a	8.6	..
410	124	Moran	358	..	5.5	1.5	..
120	35	Surmah Valley	129	..	10.9	7.8	..
125	51	Warren Plant	123	..	11.1	9.0	..

MISCELLANEOUS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
15¾	7¾	Algoma Cen Rly	£11¾	-½	26.0	2.3	15.5
76	40	Calcutta Elec	56	..	14.0	18.4	..
55½	42	E Surr Wtr 4%	£46	..	400	10.7	..
35¾	31½	Essex Wtr 3.5%	30	..	350	10.6	..
69	47	Gt Nthn Tele	£67	-1	195	2.9	15.0
450	210	Imp Cont Gas	375	+5	14.9	4.0	8.9
38	32	Mid Kent Wtr	£33¾	..	500	14.9	..
113	46	Milford Docks	113	+3	4.1	3.6	..
278	140	Nigerian Elec	205	..	20.1	9.8	..
38½	31½	Sunderland Wtr	£32½	..	350	10.8	..

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THE TIMES SHARE INDICES

The Times Share Indices for 03.10.78 (base date June 2, 1964 original base date June 2, 1959):—

	Index No. Latest	Div. Yield %	Earnings Yield %	Index No. Previous
The Times Industrial Share Index	222.15	6.30	11.65	219.44
Largest Cos.	226.15	6.04	11.10	223.18
Smaller Cos.	209.25	7.14	13.45	207.36
Capital Goods	269.69	6.71	14.25	268.72
Consumer Goods	229.55	6.71	11.13	226.21
Store Shares	191.37	6.21	8.12	189.76
Largest financial shares	219.09	6.38	—	217.02
Largest financial and industrial shares	221.61	6.10	—	222.01
Commodity shares	276.97	5.21	13.30	274.35
Gold Mining shares	336.72	9.30	16.93	329.72
Industrial debenture stocks	93.78	6.38*	—	93.78
Industrial preference stocks	56.43	12.36*	—	56.67
3½% War Loan	31¾	11.55*	—	31½

A record of The Times Industrial Share Indices is given below:—

	High	Low
All-time	232.08 (14.09.78)	60.18 (12.12.74)
1978	232.08 (14.09.78)	184.85 (02.03.78)
1977	222.98 (14.09.77)	161.29 (12.01.77)
1976	171.85 (05.05.76)	115.63 (27.10.76)
1975	158.92 (19.11.75)	61.42 (06.01.75)
1974	136.18 (28.02.74)	60.18 (12.12.74)
1973	189.33 (12.01.73)	120.99 (14.12.73)

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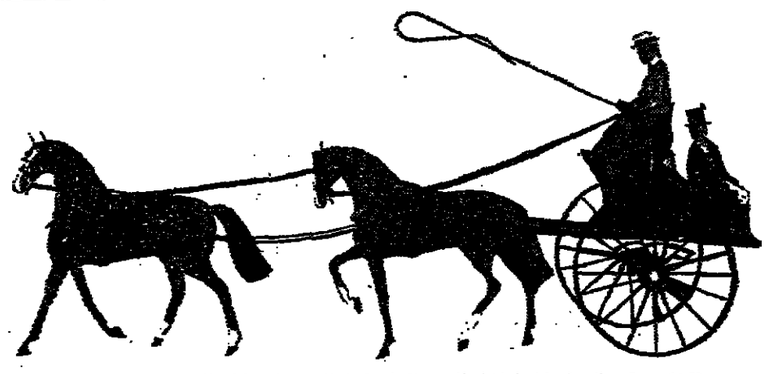
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That there is a current boom in interest in the horse is unarguable. Booksellers' shelves are positively groaning with titles such as the *Book of the Horse*, the *Complete Book of The Horse*, the *Encyclopaedia of the Horse* and many more in the same "genre". Those who cater for equestrian needs have seldom had it so good. At the recent world three-day event championships in Lexington, Kentucky, no fewer than 28 firms of saddlers, hatters, breeches makers, bootmakers, leather goods purveyors and dealers in fine porcelain, who usually ply their trades on the avenues of Badminton, Burghley and such agricultural shows as the Royal and the Royal Bath and West were on parade, finding a ready market for their wares.

England has always, with Ireland, been regarded as the home of the horse, and English accoutrements are *très snob* on the continent of Europe, where they are simply recognized as being the best. The advertisements in the Lexington catalogues ("don't just buy a saddle—have one *custom made for you by Martin Kinlet of England*") were distinctly upmarket and pricey—especially when the italicized legend is emblazoned on a discreet brass plaque on the saddle, for all to see. But it is still a good deal cheaper than the even more snob Hermes of Paris or Stübben of West Germany.

When the internal combustion engine pushed horses off the streets and the tank, mercifully, superseded them on the battlefield, the pundits prophesied the demise of the horse. Few would have forecast his triumphant return, and in such numbers, as purely a leisure animal. Obviously there would always be horses in the country, but their return to the suburbs, as riding schools and livery stables proliferate, was less predictable.

Yet the movement is world wide, stretching right across Europe and North America, through the Antipodes down into Africa and across the Middle East. Iran imports horses from Ireland, West Germany and Australia, and even in the Soviet Union riding clubs are immensely popular, while both Taiwan and China have applied to join the International Equestrian Federation.

The reason is surely the desire, in a highly civilized world, to get away from the concrete jungle and back to nature. People condemned to working in offices during the week head for the country at weekends. Once there, they occupy their time in exercise and country activities—and what better than to ride a horse, a sport which can be commenced in childhood and continued through life? There are so many diverse activities to be pursued on horseback that this is a sport for everyone, however uncompetitive or unambitious.

Herodotus was probably the first equestrian journalist, and he wrote, nearly 2,500 years ago: "Just outside Athens, beyond on the road called Through the Hollow Cimon, father of the great general, Militiades, lies entombed together with the two mares who won three Olympic races." Almost since the beginning of time there seems to have been a "horse world". Throughout history, man has done more or less the same things—raced horses, competed in physical exercises, gathered at parties, engaged in conversation, and hunted. Today, when bored with the twentieth century, he has re-created a *primitive* paleolithic situation by retreating to a state where he lives almost in an animal world.

I am indebted to Bernard Livingston and his book *Their Turf*, with which I was recently presented in Kentucky, for the following surprising contribution on the horse scene in America: "The horsey set has always been presided over by royalty, its present liege lady being Queen Elizabeth II of England who, besides owning thoroughbreds, can actually ride them. In America, where there is no official noble past, those who own and breed racehorses are synonymous with great wealth. Despite the absence of an official peerage, the sport has managed, in a particularly American way, to generate its own version of a feudal system.

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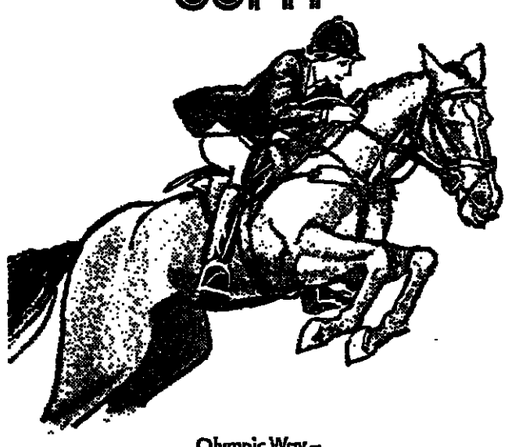
Jock Whitney is cited as a specially Anglophile. A former ambassador to Great Britain, he still has racing interests in England in addition to his Green Trees Stud in Paris, Kentucky, where Prince Philip for the world three-day championships two ago and there the gre[at] lions Twenty Grand an[d] Fool are buried. Livi[ng] marvels at his overpo[w]ering desire to win the E[pson] Grand National, whi[ch] *describes in astro*[nomical] terms as "An obscur[e] made famous by Eli[za] Taylor in the film *N[ational] Velvet*".

Indian rulers, American *estancia* and all manner of the rich and mighty are i[n]ably linked with mor[tal] ble reaches of mank[ind] their shared regard f[or] horse. Someone once "God preserve me f[rom] heaven which does no[t] horses in it." The animal has many friends, but his wide embraces many who a[re] ther noble nor wealt[hy] true aristocrat, he is snob—although, as m[y] us know from painful ence (and as Prince has confirmed) he is a leveller. *Horse and* is probably the only that is read both b[y] Duke of Beaufort and youngest stable boy.

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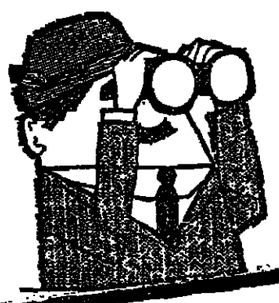
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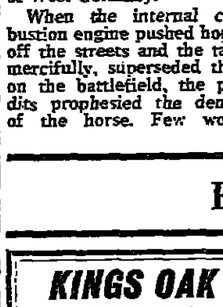
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Broadcasting Guide

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PERSONAL CHOICE



y Rolfe as Von Elmendorff in tonight's instalment of ret Army (BBC 1, 8.05 pm).

earless Frank (BBC 2, 9.25) is subtitled Tit-Bits from the of an Adventurer and, as Andrew Davies's play is about notorious womanizer Frank Harris (if we are to believe Harris), there is nothing fortuitous about the subtitle's henated first two words. More a snap album than a portrait ery, this life of Harris, from bootblacker to famous man etters and thence ruin, is notable for Leonard Rossiter's tour orce in the title role and for Susan Penhaligon's versatility laying five women in five vastly different ways. The ce of Harris's speaking directly to us, the viewers, is both nsy and unnecessary.

he ingenuity of those television programme planners who e to find reasons to justify seasons of related old movies, is ttomless well. Quite the cleverest innovation in a long le is screened tonight (BBC 2, 10.45). In a five-minute spot, MacGregor, better known on radio, interviews Yehudi uhin about Brief Encounter, his favourite film, which he we can see tomorrow night. And so it will go on every k: Miss MacGregor chatting to well-known people whose choice we see the following night. I do not normally like lers for television programmes but this one is a very erent proposition. Next week, it is Sir Robert Mark's turn. choice is The Way Ahead.

hames Television seem to want us to play a guessing game LingaLongaMax (ITV, 7.00), Mr Bygraves's weekly musical es which turns the clock back to a given year. Or rather ngiven year, for Thames publicity is reticent on this point. ll give you some clues to tonight's year: it was pre-war, it was the year of Disney's Snow White and the Seven rfs, when Len Hutton broke all batting records with 365 nst Australia at the Oval. Less helpfully it was also the that instant coffee began its conquest of Britain.

aniel Jones, the Welsh composer, had a TV profile all to self a few weeks ago during which he spoke fascinatingly at length about Dylan Thomas, companion of his youthful s. Tonight (Radio 3, 7.30), in a Swansea Festival concert, ear the first performance of Mr Jones's suite Salute to n Thomas. The orchestra is the BBC Welsh.

oday's Afternoon Theatre play More Cherry Cake (Radio 4, is both a play about a family reunion and a family reunion play. Jehane Markham wrote it (it is, in fact, her first) and her father David and her sister Petra are in the cast.

AT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEREO; * BLACK AND WHITE; REPEAT.

TELEVISION

BBC 1

7.05 am, Open University (until 7.55): 7.05, Maths; heat equation; 7.30, Handicapped: the Swedish Fokus.
9.15, For Schools, colleges (until 10.45): 9.15, Engineering Craft Studies; 9.38, Twentieth-Century History; 10.00, Landscape; 10.23, Music Time.
10.45, You and Me: Is it My Size? For the fives and under.
11.00, For Schools, colleges (until 12.30): 11.00, Exploring Science; 11.23, Words and Pictures; 11.40, Biology; 12.05 pm, Digame.
12.45, News and Weather.
1.00, Pebble Mill: guest is Bernard Hepton, star of tonight's Secret Army (BBC 1, 8.05).
1.45, Over the Moon: story, with animated pictures, about the speeding up of time.
2.01, For Schools, colleges (until 3.00): 2.01, Watch; 2.18, Scan; 2.40, Physical Science.
3.55, Play School: Inger and Lasse Sandberg's story, Daniel Paints a Picture.
4.20, Felix the Cat: cartoon.*
4.25, Jackanory: Judi Dench reads A Dog So Small.
4.40, Animal Magic: Johnny Morris among the dolphins and pythons.
5.05, John Craven's Newsround: Junior newsreel.
5.10, Touch and Go: children's serial. Charles investigates the rock fall that nearly killed Emily.
5.40, News, with Kenneth Kendall.
5.55, Nationwide: final of the "Cook of the Realm" contest. Eight women are in the running.
6.55, It's a Knockout: Three teams from Northern Ireland compete in the third international heat. The venue: the German seaside town of Gromitz.
8.05, Secret Army: adventure series about Lifeline, which provided escape routes for Allied troops in wartime occupied Europe. Tonight, the evaders are two droll Russians.
9.00, News, with Kenneth Kendall.
9.25, Sportsnight: The Horse of the Year Show at Wembley presents the Basildon Bond Championship, won last year by Caroline Bradley. For soccer fans, there is action from a third round tie in the Football League Cup.
11.00, Tonight: From Devon comes a report from a school which could produce some of tomorrow's Olympics winners.
11.40, Weather/Regional news.
BBC 1 variations: WALES: 10.00 am, Hwnt ac Yma; 2.18, Ffenestri: 5.10, Bilidowcar; 6.55, Heddiw; 7.15, Pawb yn ei Fro; 7.40, Tomorrow's World. SCOTLAND: 11.00 am, Let's See. 2.18 pm, Around Scotland (for schools).

BBC 2

6.40 am, Open University (until 7.55): 6.40, The Turbine Blade; 7.05, Nitrogen Fixation (2), 7.30, The Semi-Detached House.
9.05, Gharbar: for Asian viewers, includes an interview with a job centre manager.
9.30, Labour Party Conference: day three at Blackpool. Reports from Robin Day, David Dimbleby and Robert McKenzie.
11.00, Play School: same as BBC 1, 3.55.
11.25, Labour Party Conference (until 12.30): more from Blackpool.
2.00 pm, Labour Party Conference (until 4.55): last of day's live transmissions.
4.55, Open University (until 7.00): 4.55, School Broadcasting Council; 5.20, Evolution of an Ocean; 5.45, Imaging the eye; 6.10, Nature or Nurture; 6.35, Science Fiction.
7.00, News, with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.
7.05, May I Have the Pleasure?: five-part history of popular dancing. Tonight: at the court of Louis XIV.
7.30, News and weather.
7.35, Conference Report: summary of today at Blackpool.
8.00, Gardeners' World: What a Gloucestershire garden centre offers in the way of container grown trees and shrubs, tools, equipment and sundries.
Why finance backers are happy to lend so much money to Sir Freddie Laker. Also, an item on the new Health and Safety at Work Act.
9.00, M*A*S*H: Korean war medical comedies. A little more serious tonight, with a temporarily blinded Hawkeye among other battlefield casualties.
9.25, Play of the Week: Andrew Davies's dramatic romp Fearless Frank. Leonard Rossiter plays the scandalous Frank Harris (see Personal Choice).
10.45, My Kind of Movie: famous people talk about their favourite film (see Personal Choice).
10.50, News, weather.
11.05, International Golf: World Series from Akron, Ohio. Peter McEvoy flies the flag for Britain, the first amateur ever to compete in the championship.
11.55, Closedown: William Peskett's A Clearing in the Alps, read by Michael Kilgarriff.

THAMES

9.30 am, For Schools (until 12.00): 9.30, My World—stories; 9.42, Making a Living; 10.04, The English Programme (part 1 of drama, Speech Day); 10.31, French Studies; 11.00, Finding Out (Japan); 11.20, Starting Out; 11.39, How We Used to Live.
12.00, Cloppa Castle: puppet tale of a talking frog.
12.10 pm, Rainbow: Liquid is today's theme in this simple science series.
12.30, Sounds of Britain: Ulster's Philomena Begley and the Rambling Men in country and western songs.
1.00, News, with Peter Sissons.
1.20, Thames News: local round-up.
1.30, Crown Court: manslaughter in a home for disturbed young people (continued hearing).
2.00, After Noon: A holiday home for mentally handicapped children is visited by Mary Parkinson.
2.25, Labour Party Conference: Gordon Burns reports from Blackpool.
3.25, Racing from Newmarket: We see the 3.35 and 4.10.
4.20, The Sooty Show: Matthew Corbett with his glove-animals. The guest is Bryan Burdon and his magic cabinet.
4.45, Shadows: supernatural story with Clive Swift as a failed magician who acquires strange powers.
5.15, Batman: superhuman adventure. Part 2 of Batman Makes the Scenes.
5.45, News.
6.00, Thames at Six: Andrew Gardner is in the chair.
6.25, Help! Joan Shenton with viewers' Problems.
6.35, Crossroads: a gift for Dr Butterworth.
7.00 LingaLongaMax: Max Bygraves with the songs and events of a year before the Second World War (see Personal Choice).
7.30, Coronation Street: The unfaithful husband makes his mind up what to do.
8.00, I'm Dickie—That's Showbusiness: the Versatile song and dance man Dickie Henderson with a host of fellow entertainers, including clever actress Prunella Scales.
9.00, Born and Bred: comedies of family life in South London. Tonight, a wedding is planned.
10.00, News.
10.30, Guy Reed: a profile of Britain's top racehorse owner (the stallion Warpath is his) and breeder.
11.30, Welcome Stranger: Drama about a German immigrant in Canada who performs an operation without a licence. The patient, a boy, dies.
12.25 am, Close: Borodin music embroiders a Russian painting.

RADIO

Radio 4

6.00 am, News, Weather, papers, sport. 6.10, Farming Today. 6.30, Today. 8.45, Anngua. Penny, Puce (8).
9.00, News.
9.05, The Living World: Talking Point.
9.35, The Enthusiasts: Hobbies.
10.00, News.
10.05, The Stag of the Stubble: The Mad March Hare.
10.30, Service.
10.45, Story: Yoco My Lovely.
11.00, News. 11.05, Sydney Carter Thinks Aloud.
11.50, Through My Window.
12.00, News.
12.02 pm, Yiu and Yours. 12.27, Dr Finlay's Casebook. 1.00, The World at One. 1.30, The Archers.
1.45, Woman's Hour.
2.00, News. 2.45, Listen with Mother.
3.00, News.
3.05, Play: More Cherry Cake by Jehane Markham. 3.50, Choral Evensong from Exeter Cathedral.
4.35, Story: Period Piece (3).
5.00, News.
5.55, Weather.
6.00 News.
6.30, My Word! Panel game.†
7.00, News.
7.05, The Archers.
7.20, Checkpoint.
7.45, A Voice is a Person: Sir Peter Pears on Kathleen Ferrier.
8.45, Analysis: What Sort of Parliament?
9.30, Kaleidoscope.
9.59, Weather.
10.00, The World Tonight.
10.30, Round Britain Quiz. Round 2: London v Republic of Ireland.
11.00, Rogue Male (6).
11.15, The Financial World Tonight.
11.30, News, Weather.

VHF Regional News, Weather at 6.30 am, 7.30 am, 12.55 pm and 5.55 pm. For Schools at 9.05 am, 11.00 am, 2.00 pm and Study, 11.00 pm.

Radio 3

6.55 am, Weather.
7.00, News.
7.05, Your Midweek Choice, part 1: Mozart, Beethoven (mono).†
8.00, News.
8.05, Your Midweek Choice, part 2: Liszt (mono), Glazunov.†
9.00, News.
9.05, Composer: Samuel Barber (mono).†
10.00, Organ Music: St. Mary's Priory, Fulham Road, London.
10.30, Second Broadcast Concert: Aviss, Howard, Griffiths, Bingham, Bourgeois.†
11.45, BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra: Stravinsky, Boccherini, Brahms.†
1.00 pm, News.
1.05, Concert Hall Songs: Bizet, Messiaen, Strauss, Berg.†
2.00, Music from the Jewish Liturgy.†
3.00, Beethoven and Hummel: Piano.†
3.55, The funeral of the Pope: live relay from Rome (until 6.05).
6.05, Homeward Bound.
6.30, News.
6.35, At Home: Sviatoslav Richter at the Royal Festival Hall, London.
7.30, Swansea Festival 1978 Concert, part 1: Jones, Mozart.†
8.15, The Arts Worldwide.
8.35, Swansea Festival 1978, part 2: Rachmaninov.†
9.40, Scientifically Speaking.
10.35, How Wagner Wrote and Produced the Ring.†
11.45, News.
11.50, Schubert Song.†
RADIO 3 VHF ONLY: Open University at 6.00 am and 6.05 pm. 3.55, French Chamber Music by Lalo, Boulez.†
4.55, Building a library.
5.45, Homeward Bound.

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Radio 2

5.00 am, News, weather. 5.02, Tony Brandon. 6.15, Pause for Thought.† 7.32, Terry Wogan 8.27, Racing Bulletin. 8.45, Pause for Thought. 10.02, Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm, Waggoners' Walk. 12.30, Pete Murray's Open House. 1.45, Sport.† 2.30, David Hamilton 2.45, Sport: Dunlop Masters Golf. Horse of the Year Show, Racing from Newmarket. 3.35, William Hill Cheveley Park Stakes. 3.45, Sport. 4.30, Waggoners' Walk. 4.45, Sport. 4.50, John Dunn. 5.45, Sport.† 6.45, Sport. 7.02, Sing Something Simple.† 7.30, The Spinners.† 8.02, Sport Special: Football League Cup. live second-half commentary. News, Show Jumping. Rugby—Northern Division v Argentina. 9.30, Join vhf. 10.02, Offbeat with Braden. 10.30, Richard Briers: Be My Guest. 11.02, Sport. 11.05, Brian Matthew: Round Midnight. 12.00, News, weather. 2.00 am, News.

RADIO 2 SCOTLAND— 8.02-9.30 pm, Sportsound Special: Scottish League Cup—Third Round, First Leg: second-half commentary, sports round-up.

Radio 1

5.00 am, As Radio 2. 7.02, Dave Lee Travis. 9.00, Simon Bates: The Golden Hour. Meet Your Match. 11.31, Paul Burnett. 12.30 pm, News. 2.00, Peter Powell: National Pop Panel. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 5.30, Newsbeat. 7.00, Girl Talk. 7.30, The Spinners (joins Radio 2).† 8.00, As vhf. 10.02, John Peel.† 12.00-2.02 am, As Radio 2.
VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2. 5.00 am, With Radio 2. 1.55 pm, Good Listening. 8.02, Radio 2 Gala: Listen to the Bands.† 9.02, The Fred Astaire Story (12).† 9.55, Sports Desk. 10.00, With Radio 1. 12.00-2.02 am, With Radio 2.

REGIONAL TV

Anglia

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.35, Thames. 11.30, Chopper Squad. 12.25 am, The Big Question: Close.

Scottish

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, News, Weather 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Dodo the Space Kid. 5.20, Thames. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.30, Report. 7.00, Thames. 11.30, Late Call. 11.35, Police Surgeon. 12.05 am, Close.

Southern

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News, Weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, The Undersea Adventures of Captain Nemo. 5.20, Thames. 6.00, Day by Day. 6.35, Scene Mid-Week. 7.00, Thames. 11.30, Southern News. 11.40, Shannon's Mob. 12.35 am, Weather, Papacy. Close.

HTV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Report West 1.25, Report Wales. 1.30 Thames. 2.00, Help Yourself. 2.25, Thames. 5.20, Thames. 6.00, Report West. 6.15, Report Wales. 6.30, Emmerdale Farm. 7.00, Thames. 11.30, The New Avengers. 12.30 am, Weather, Close.
HTV CYMRU/WALES: As HTV GENERAL SERVICE except. 1.20 pm, Penawdau Newyddion y Dydd. 4.20, Rydw'i am Fod . . . 6.00, Y Dydd. 10.00, News at Ten. Report Wales. HTV WEST: As HTV GENERAL SERVICE except: 10.29 am, Interlude. 1.20 pm, Report West Headlines. 6.15, Report West.

Tyne Tees

9.25 am, The Good Word. North-East News, weather. 9.30, Thames 1.20 pm, North-East News. Lookaround, weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Happy Days. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Northern Life. 6.35, Thames. 10.30, Sport of Kings. 11.30, George Hamilton IV. 12.00, Epilogue. 12.05 am, Close.

Yorkshire

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Gambit. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Calendar, weather. 6.35, Thames. 11.30, Elaine, the Singer of the Song. 12.00, Close.

ATV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, ATV Newsdesk. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, You're Only Young Twice. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Thames. 11.30, Ghost Story: The Dead We Leave Behind (Sebastian Cabot). 12.30 am, Close.

Granada

9.30 am, Thames 1.20 pm, This is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 5.10, What's New. 5.15, Crossroads 5.45, Thames 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, Mr and Mrs. 7.00, Thames. 11.30, Blues. 12.30 am, Close.

Ulster

9.30 am, Thames. 11.17, Let's Look at Ulster 11.39, Thames. 1.20 pm, Lunchtime 1.30, Thames. 3.50, Tell Me Another. 4.18, Ulster News. 4.20, Thames. 5.15, Cartoons. 5.20, Thames. 6.00, Reports. 6.35, The Bob Newhart Show. 7.00, Thames. 11.30, Look and See. 11.45, Bedtime. 11.55, Close.

Westward

9.30 am, Thames. 12.27 pm, Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 12.30, Thames 1.20, Westward News. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Emmerdale Farm. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Westward Diary 6.35, Thames. 10.28, Westward News. Weather 10.30, Thames. 11.30, S.W.A.T. Terror Ship 12.30 am, Faith for Life. 12.25, Close.

Grampian

9.25 am, First Thing. 9.30, Thames. 1.20 pm, Grampian News 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Emmerdale Farm. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Grampian Today, Weather. 6.30, Police Newsroom. 6.35, Thames. 11.30, Barnaby Jones. 12.25 am, Reflections. 12.30, Grampian News. 12.35, Close.

Border

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Border News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames 5.15, Gambit. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Lookaround Wednesday. 6.35, Thames 11.30, Power Without Glory. 12.25 am, Border News, weather. 12.23, Close.

Channel

9.30 am, Thames. 1.18 pm, Channel Lunchtime News, What's On, Where Weather 1.30, Thames 5.15, Emmerdale Farm. 5.45, Thames 6.00, Channel News weather 6.10, Ladies First. 6.35, Thames. 10.28, Channel News, weather 10.32, Thames. 11.30, S.W.A.T. Terror Ship 12.20 am, News, weather (French), epilogue, close.

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FAIRHAVEN.—On 2nd Oct, at Mill Road Maternity hospital, Cambridge, to Patricia, wife of Lord Fairhaven—a son.

FERRIER.—On 2nd October at St. Helier Hospital, Carshalton to Enid (nee Blackman) and Nicholas—a daughter (Olivia Margaret), a sister for Lucinda and the boys.

FOWLSTON.—On Oct 1st, to Christine (nee Crowther-Smith) and Brendan—a son, a brother for James.

FULLER.—On September 29th to Roy and Pauline at Farnborough Hospital, Kent—a son (Christopher).

HURST.—On 2nd October, at Westminster Hospital, to Stephanie (nee Riterband) and Robert—a daughter (Fiona).

JOHNSON.—On Sept. 30th, to Virginia (nee Kidd) and Anthony, in Johannesburg—a daughter.

MITCHELL.—On Sept. 30th, to Jenny (nee Hebditch) and Giles—a son (Rupert), brother for Kate.

MITCHELL.—On 1st October at Queen Charlotte's to Helen (nee Marum) and Peter—a son.

BIRTHS

MOLINEUX.—On September 27th in Nanaimo, British Columbia to Elaine and Roger, a son Adam Alexander Peregrine, a brother for Kari and Christopher.

MOORE-GWYN.—On October 2nd, to Alison and David—a daughter.

O'CONNOR-FENTON.—On 1st October at Nottingham City Hospital, to Caroline (nee Clough) and Tim—a daughter, a sister for Charles and Katie.

RUSHWORTH.—On October 3rd to Amaryllis (nee Pye) & Stewart, a son (Jesse), a brother for Rowan.

WAKELEY.—On Oct. 2nd, 1978, at St. Lukes, Guildford, to Anne (nee Bush) and Tim—twins (Adam and Melissa), brother and sister for Oliver and Fenella.

WATSON.—On September 29th, to Deryn and James—a son (Luke Morien).

WEBB.—On October 2nd, at the Queen Elizabeth Maternity Hospital, Birmingham, to Catherine (nee Footit) and Stephen—a daughter (Serena).

MARRIAGES

LEESE : MUIR.—On Saturday, 30th September, at the Church of South Wraxall, between Mr. Nicholas Leese, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Leese, of South Wraxall Manor, Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire, and Miss Alexandra Caroline Muir, youngest daughter of Colonel and Mrs. T. W. Muir, of Torquhan, Stow, Midlothian.

MARTIN : WITT.—On September 1st, 1978, in Velbert, Western Germany, Michael, elder son of Mr and Mrs. A. S. Martin of Weymouth and Lilo, elder daughter of Herr and Frau Witt of Velbert.

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BOSTON.—On October 2nd, 1978, at Little Garth, Wood Lane, Neston, Cheshire, Charles Norman Sutcliffe Boston, dearly beloved husband of Norah and father of Jacqueline, Jill, Nicholas and Susan. Service at Woodchurch Parish Church, Birkenhead, on Friday, October 6th, at 2 pm, followed by private cremation. No flowers, please.

BRADSHAW.—On October 3rd, Leonard Charles, aged 67. Peacefully at home, 7, Beverley Gardens, Wargrave. Funeral at Reading Crematorium, Friday, October 6th at 3.30 a.m. Family flowers only please.

CAMPBELL.—On Sept. 30th, 1978, in Hospital, Frances of 22 Gambier Terrace, Liverpool 1. Requiem Mass at St. Margaret's Church, Princes Rd, Liverpool 8, On Thursday Oct. 5th at 10.15 a.m. Enquiries to Charletts Ltd., Lark Lane L17, 051 727 2443.

COOKSON.—On 2nd October, Vivienne Tilla, widow of Kenneth Cookson, peacefully, aged 87, at Sunny Bank Hospital, Cannes, France.

DIBDIN.—On Sept. 30, Dorothy Ellen Dibdin, of Wembley, beloved mother of Michael. Funeral service at Golders Green Crematorium on Thursday, October 5th, at 2.15 p.m. (East Chapel).

ELMER.—On 2nd Oct. 1978, peacefully in her sleep, Katherine of Clandon Road, Guildford, formerly of Mabounde, Kitale, Kenya. Widow of Cont. L. A. Elmer and much loved mother of Mrs. John Lucy and the late Mr John Elmer. Funeral service to be held at St. Nicolas Church, Guildford, on Tuesday, 10th October at 11 a.m. Flowers to Pimm's Funerals, Guildford.

FITZGERALD.—On October 2nd, 1978, at 15 Belbroughton Road, Oxford, Lucy Putnam, aged 90 years, beloved wife of the late Maurice D. J. Fitzgerald and mother of Nesta Selwyn, a dearly loved grandmother and great grandmother.

GILMOUR.—On October 3rd, Marianne Heather, aged 43, at Ringshall Grange, Stowmarket, Suffolk, wife of David and mother of Karen Cookson, Tina and Joanna. Much loved by all who knew her. Funeral private. Ringshall Church, Thursday, October 5th, 2.30 p.m.

GOODMAN.—On October 1st, 1978, Lieutenant Colonel John Godman, CBE D.L., late 15th/19th The Kings Royal Hussars, of Banks Lee, Moreton-in-Marsh, aged 82. Funeral Longborough, Monday, October 9th, at 3 pm. Family flowers only.

HEATH-SAUNDERS.—On September 30th, Major Basil, aged 86, peacefully at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, lately of Beacon Cottage, West Hill, Braunton. Served in Lord Strathcona's Horse 1914-1918, Canadian Cavalry Reserve 1915-1939, British Army Depot, Longmoor and War Office 1939-1948. Much loved and respected father of William and Patrick. Funeral at St. Brannock's R.C. Chapel, Braunton on October 5th at 2.30 p.m.—Flowers to A. G. Simmonds and Son, Trinity Street, Barnstaple, North Devon. Requiem Mass will be held later at St. Charles Church, Weybridge, Surrey.

HUSSEY.—On October 2nd, Richard Lionel, peacefully in his sleep, at Cleve House, Malvern, in his 82nd year. Canon of Manchester Cathedral, former Rector of Sacred Trinity, Salford. Funeral service Tewkesbury Abbey, on Friday, October 6th, at 1.45 p.m. followed by cremation at Worcester. Family flowers only.

INMAN.—On Monday, 2nd October, very peacefully, in Exmouth Hospital, John Eric, in his 87th year, of "Hunters Lodge", Exmouth. Much loved husband of Vera and dearly loved father of the 4 boys, Nicholas, David Michael and Stephen. Funeral Service at Holy Trinity Church, Exmouth, on Monday, 9th October, at 2 p.m., followed by interment at Little Ham Churchyard.

IVES.—On September 26, Eleanor Gertrude, aged 85. Much loved by all the Frere family.

LANG.—On September 29th, very peacefully, in hospital, Muriel Wilson Lang, of Cherrybank, Spinningdale, Sutherland, beloved wife of Robert and mother of Michael and Andrew. Interred Creich Church.

MILLS.—On Oct. 3rd, at Woking, peacefully in her sleep, Eleanor May (Bluebell), widow of Thomas Piercy. Dearly loved mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral private. Thanksgiving service to be announced later.

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ODLING.—On Oct. 2nd, in Yeovil Hospital, Godfrey Collingham (Collin) Vine Cottage, Ash Martock, Somerset, dear husband of Jean, father of Susan Cassans, Lois Buckling and David. Service at Ash Parish Church, Tuesday, Oct. 10, at 2.30 p.m. No flowers. Donations if liked for the British Red Cross Society, Yeovil branch, care of G. H. Cook & Son, Funeral Director, 8-11 Bond St., Yeovil, Somerset. Tel.: Yeovil 23462.

ROBERTSON, EIKMAN WILLIAM HAMILTON, of The Ross, Hamilton, on 30th September, beloved brother of Peggy and Forbie. Cremation on Friday, 6th October, at 3.30 p.m. East Chapel, Daldowie Crematorium, Glasgow (at terminus of the M74).

ROLLO.—On 2nd October, 1978, The Honourable Torfrida Rollo, elder daughter of the late Honourable Eric and Mrs. Rollo. Funeral private.

SHIRLAW.—On Oct. 1st, 1978, Colin, at home, dearly loved husband of Nancy. Cremation private. No mourners or flowers by request.

WEEDON.—On October 1st, suddenly in Kingston Hospital, Surrey, Wilfred Harry, of 9 Boleyn Court, East Molesey, Captain late R.E., aged 68. Funeral at St. Peter's Church, West Molesey, on Friday, October 6th, at noon, followed by cremation at St. John's Crematorium, Woking, at 1.30 p.m. No flowers, by request, but donations if desired to St. Peter's Church, West Molesey.

WILLIS.—On 29th September, suddenly, Herbert Willis, beloved husband of Leuila of Camellia Place, Whitton, Middlesex. Cremation at 11 a.m. Thursday 5th October at South West Middlesex Crematorium, Hanworth, Middlesex.

FUNERALS

HOLDSWORTH.—The funeral service for the late David Holdsworth, Esq., C.B.E., Q.P.M., will take place at the University Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford, at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, 6th October, 1978, followed by private burial. Flowers from family and police service to Debenhams, Oxford. Otherwise donations, please, to Police Dependents' Trust or Oxfordshire County Scout Council, c/o Thames Valley Police Headquarters, Kidlington, Oxford.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

GRANT.—A service of Thanksgiving for the life of G. F. B. Grant at St. Lawrence Jewry, London, E.C.2, at 12 noon today.

HEBB.—The Memorial Service for Dr Catherine Hebb will be held on Tuesday, October 17th at 3.30 p.m. in St Peter's Church, Babraham. Transport will be available from Cambridge Station for those notifying Ann Silver, Babraham Hall, Cambridge, in advance.

HORNUNG.—A Memorial Service for the late Lt. Col. Sir John Hornung, KVCO, OBE., MC., will be held in the Guards' Chapel, Wellington Barracks, London, SW1, at 12 noon on Monday, October 16th, 1978.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE for those of the Jewish faith will be held at Golders Green Crematorium, Hoop Lane, N.W.11, on Sunday, 8th October, at 3.30 p.m., to which relatives and friends are invited.

WILKINSON, Mr. Frederick.—A memorial service will be held at Latymer Upper School, Hammersmith, on Sunday, 22nd October at 3 p.m.

WHITEHEAD.—A memorial service for Arthur John Whitehead, husband of Sioner, will be held at St George's Church, Hanover Square, on Thursday October 12th, at 2.30 p.m.

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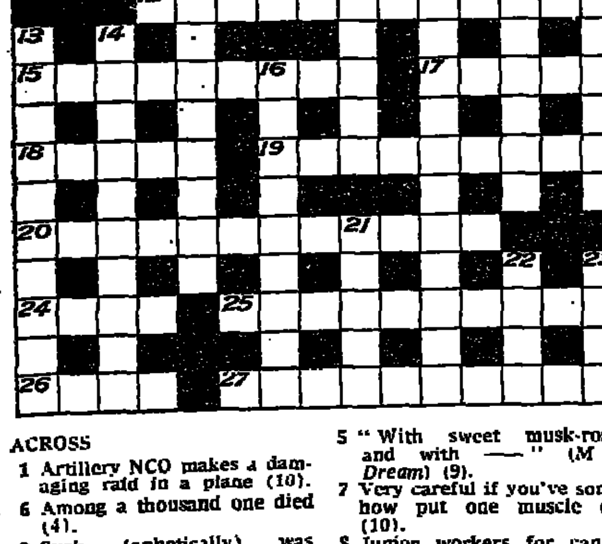
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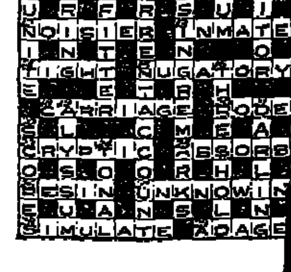
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1 Artillery NCO makes a damaging raid in a plane (10).
6 Among a thousand one died (4).
9 Such (aphetically) was the Elephant's Child's curiosity (10).
10 Party man given direction to follow (4).
12 Cooked maize causes equine foot trouble? (4, 2, 3, 3).
15 Caliph out sprinkled with perfume (9).
17 Annoyed because the right one came first (5).
18 Film parts—for dancers? (5).
19 Sort of pub to find in Bow? (4, 5).
20 Firer puts binder on a long cut (6-6).
24 Rock follower (4).
25 August play-fellow in Sweden (10).
26 To which the youthful RLS sailed over the sea (4).
27 I make a thumping confession, showing some restraint? (10).

DOWN

1 Job ailment; plaguy thing (4).
2 No Sisyphean gathering (4).
3 High science prize thus kept in a ship's hold (12).
4 Dr Beard picked at random? (5).
5 "With sweet musk-roses and with ——" (M N Dream) (9).
7 Very careful if you've somehow put one muscle out (10).
8 Junior workers for canine defence leagues? (4-6).
11 A pipe wrench, hard copper, gets broken (12).
13 Motorists need what weight-watchers dread (5, 5).
14 Medium with oriental helper in a spirit-like way (10).
16 Final terms involve mutual arrangement about the boy (9).
21 Money from its one horn perhaps (5).
22 Iolanthe, so called by one (4).
23 A giant all eager to behead another? (4).

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